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SIGNS THEY ARE A-CHANGIN' The old Bayside Grange sign came down last week, replaced by the new Bayside Community Hall sign.

LEFT PHOTO COURTESY MAGGIE GAINER; RIGHT PHOTO KLH | UNION

Bayside rebrands its new, 75-year-old hall

Kevin L. Hoover
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BAYSIDE – Boardmembers at Bayside Community Hall estimate that it will take three generations for the name “Bayside Grange” to fall out of common parlance after being used for 75 years.

It was Oct. 8, 1932 that Bayside Grange No. 500 was chartered, but not until December, 1941 that the current hall was built, with events like last Sunday’s Breakfast in Bayside starting up the following year. And it was in October, 2017 that the old Grange sign was taken down, completing the venue’s conversion into the rechristened Bayside Community Hall.

That change is the most visible, but behind the scenes, the venerable hall’s leadership has been systematically separating itself from the National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry and the California State Grange.

A successor organization not affiliated with the state or national Granges, named the California Guild, has been attracting local grange chapters disaffected with the politics and intrusiveness of the old groups. Threatened like many others with the seizure of its assets and property, the Bayside Grange has extricated itself from them and aligned itself with the more progressive Guild.

It’s not alone. Half of 10 Humboldt County Granges – those in Freshwater, Van Duzen, Redway and Fieldbrook, along with Bayside have made the break. So have 85 of California’s 160 Granges.

All were bouyed by a recent court ruling that affirmed the Guild-affiliated former Granges’ independence from

BAYSIDE ❖ A3



BRIDGE DAY
TRESTLE WRESTLE Entirely by coincidence, Monday, Oct. 16 turned out to be Bridge Day in Arcata. Left, the last of five bridges – an 80-foot aluminum one – is lowered into place on the Humboldt Bay Trail North by McCullough Construction. Right, another bridge is installed along the north fork of Janes Creek in the Samuels Conservation Easement just outside the Arcata Community Forest. The bridge replaces an undersized culvert and allows improved fish passage.

PHOTOS COURTESY CITY OF ARCATA

Mercer-Fraser loses suit, trail opens Nov. 19

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ARCATA – Mercer-Fraser Company’s lawsuit against the City of Arcata over the Humboldt Bay Trail North project has failed, with the city prevailing on the merits.

As previously reported in the *Union*, Mercer-Fraser, which lost out on the bid for the nearly \$5 million trail project, had claimed that the city had bungled the bidding process on the project.

The company cited flaws in city documents which it said led to a number of errors by contractors who had submitted bids, and that the city then improperly disqualified them.

Problems cited by Mercer-Fraser and later dismissed by the court included:

The city had asked that a Non-Collusion Affidavit (required by state law to prevent sham bids) be submitted by the “awardee,” although none of the bidders would be an

HUMBOLDT BAY TRAIL ❖ A3



MANILA TRAIL A paved, 10-foot-wide trail for bicyclists and pedestrians would extend from Pacific Avenue to Carlson Avenue on the west side of State Route 255, providing an alternative to Peninsula Drive. GRAPHIC FROM COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Jack Durham
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MANILA – A half-mile-long paved trail may be built along State Route 255 in Manila during the summer of 2019.

Hank Seemann, deputy director of Humboldt County Public Works, told the board of the Manila Community Services District on Oct. 19 that preliminary designs have been drafted for the trail, which would be built on the west side of State Route

MANILA TRAIL ❖ A3

Community rallies behind Arcata High coaches

Trustee goes after coach who cut nephew from basketball team

Jack Durham
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MCKINLEYVILLE – Two popular basketball coaches at Arcata High School will keep their jobs, the local high school board decided last week.

Arcata Varsity Coach Ryan Bisio and Junior Varsity Coach Graham Johnson had been on the chopping block after their names were removed from a personnel list during an Oct. 10 meeting of the Northern Humboldt Union High School District Board of Trustees. Their names were removed at the request of Trustee Jennifer Knight, who had concerns about “policies and procedures” and mentioned a complaint filed by her sister regarding a family member not getting on the basketball team.

After a contentious discussion, board

President Colleen Toste made a motion to approve the hiring of the two coaches.

However, with Knight opposing the hiring, and trustees Brian Lovell and Dana Silvernale abstaining, the motion had to be withdrawn because there weren’t enough votes for it to pass.

That left the coaches’ jobs in limbo, with their fate to be determined at a special meeting Oct. 16.

More than 100 people filled McKinleyville High School’s multi-purpose room, with most of them there to speak out in support of Bisio and Johnson.



Graham Johnson



Ryan Bisio

Dozens of people testified in support of the coaches, who were repeatedly described as dedicated mentors and men of character who inspire their students. Teachers, community members and student athletes spoke out in favor of keeping the coaches.

Only one woman spoke against them, telling the story of how her son got cut from the basketball team after missing a practice. “I felt it was a harsh and overzealous punishment,” she said.

More than an hour of public testimony was bookended by the coaches, with coach Johnson being the first speaker of the night

for the agenda item.

“You guys are not here for me or Ryan,” Johnson said to the trustees. “You guys are here for the kids. And that’s why I’m here. That’s why I coach.”

Bisio ended the public testimony, thanking everyone for coming out and supporting Arcata’s basketball program.

“I’m proud to be part of this family tonight and I feel like the love and unity we’ve shown demonstrates our culture more than any result on the floor ever could,” Bisio told the board.

“I coach basketball because of the transformational relationships that take place when athletes and coaches connect to something bigger than themselves,” Bisio continued. “Our players use the knowledge obtained from the program as a vehicle for self and life exploration.”

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Transportation activists introduce new vision for a human-centered ‘living Plaza’ with fewer cars

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ARCATA – Re-imagining the Plaza has never been more popular, with ideas flying at near-weekly scoping sessions in and out of government. The frequency of the solution-seeking is exceeded only by the daily incidents of drunks, drugs, fights, smoking and other offenses continuing to take place out on the troubled town square.

A new initiative goes beyond marking-penned wish lists scrawled on butcher paper with a consolidated set of specific proposals, and will likely be thrown into the mix of options to be considered at an upcoming, not-yet-scheduled City Council study session on Plaza issues.



Ryan Campbell

that 10 or more activities are required for any given location to “create the kind of synergy” that allows them to flourish. He said that other than during fairs and the Farmers’ Market, with just car parking, relaxing, eating, drinking and shopping to engage Plazagoers, it falls far short. “Our idea is to bring more activities into the space,” Campbell said.

The perception of anti-social behavior is also borne out in APD data, with lots of calls for service originating on the Plaza. “It’s the hot spot,” he said. That, CRTP believes, is because the Plaza is “diced up” by rows of parked cars that isolate people and limit the sense of community.

The solution, Campbell said, is limiting parking on Eighth and Ninth with use of bollards which would still allow access by emergency and delivery vehicles. The car-liberated sections of street would then be free to host features such as outdoor dining.

The speed limit on G and H streets would be reduced to 5 mph, relaxing the boundaries between shops and the Plaza and creating a “greater normative force.”

“We would try to soften the barriers between people in the shops and people in the streets,” Campbell said.

Citing studies, Campbell said that social interaction is associated with a variety of health and community benefits, from better mental and physical health, improved sleep, fewer gangs, fewer divorces and even improved longevity.

“A more social place is a place that has lower crime,” he said.

Improving the Plaza’s social element, he said, would also make local businesses more competitive with the likes of Amazon.

Through a combination of site visits and Google Maps, Campbell said he counted 2,200 parking spaces within a quarter mile of the Plaza. That, he said, is the distance people are willing to walk from their cars to businesses and activities.

With 4 percent of the downtown parking on the Plaza, closing Eighth and Ninth would mean a loss of just 2 percent. Businesses, Campbell said, overestimate how many customers arrive by car, and drivers spend less than bicyclists.

A “living Plaza” would be festooned with human-scale activities, from dining to culture to recreation. The specifics would be determined via a subsequent process, but, he said, “there’s lots of ways to thread this needle.”

“The future of the Plaza is up to us,” Campbell said.

Attendees at the presentation had concerns. Limiting parking could make things harder for the elderly,



Colin Fiske

and would throw the viability of some businesses into question.

Vicky Joyce, president of Arcata Main Street and proprietor of Bubbles, said her customers’ foremost complaint is the lack of parking downtown. Expecting them to hike long distances “might be a stretch for a large portion of the populace.”

Fiske said building car infrastructure only encourages car use, and that “if you remove some parking, you’ll probably shift some trips to walking or biking.” But he acknowledged that there is “a leap of faith” involved.

Joyce said convenience-challenged customers would just drive to the mall.

Kathleen Marshall said that her travels have shown her that walkable shopping districts, which she has observed in action elsewhere in the world, are appealing and vibrant. She said she never visits the Plaza any more in its present state. “It is absolutely addressable in the proposals that have been presented here,” she said.

Fiske passed around a draft copy of a letter asking the City Council to initiate “an appropriate public process” to implement those and other proposals. “We don’t think we have all the ideas,” he said.

Initial actions would be to make the Plaza car-free during the Farmers’ Market, and work with downtown businesses to improve safety and community there.

JoAnne McGarry said the Plaza is stagnant, and that removable fixtures such as play equipment that could be wheeled in and out would allow for experimentation. “Trying stuff before you nail it down is something that I like,” she said.

Campbell said CRTP wants the City Council to “direct staff to come up with a proposal for changing the Plaza that maybe uses some of the ideas here as a starting point.”

The council would almost certainly refer CRTP to make presentations and develop proposals with the citizen-led Transportation Safety and Economic Development committees, as well as the Public Safety Task Force. Those bodies include volunteers who have expertise in relevant fields and advise the council on their areas of focus.

Fiske said while there have been informal conversations with Transportation Safety Committee members, no formal presentations have yet been made to the relevant committees.

Campbell said CRTP has no official position on the McKinley statue, a radioactive issue at this point. “We tried to avoid that one with a 20-foot pole,” he said.

The Public Safety Task Force will again discuss the Plaza at its monthly meeting tonight (*see Democracy in Action, upper right*).

Read CRTP’s “The Case for a Living Plaza in Arcata” proposal at transportationpriorities.org.

PUBLIC SAFETY TASK FORCE Arcata’s Public Safety Task Force meets **tonight, Wednesday, Oct. 25** at 6 p.m. in Council Chamber at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St. New Business items include a review of member participation requirements and expectations; a discussion of recent community meetings, including the City Council study session for chairs and vice-chairs, the Town Hall meeting at The Jam, and the CommUnity Pride and Peace meeting at the D Street Neighborhood Center; and possible meetings with the City Council on Plaza safety issues and with retail establishments selling alcohol to discuss responsible sales and consumption strategies. Old business items include an update on the Cahill Park Pathway project; a discussion of public safety priorities with data analysis and crime mapping; a discussion of public safety solutions; creation of a final report to the City Council; and more.



HARBOR GROUP Humboldt Bay Harbor Working Group welcomes Miles Slattery, parks and recreation director with the City of Eureka, to its meeting **today, Oct. 25**. Lunch is served from noon to 12:30 p.m. after Slattery will talk about maintenance dredging at Eureka’s Small Boat Basin and the status of Eureka’s Harbor Operations. Fried chicken will be served for lunch at \$16 and soup and salad is available for \$12. To RSVP contact (707) 441-1974 or Charles.Bean@Yahoo.com.

MCKMAC The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee meets **tonight, Wednesday, Oct. 25** at 6 p.m. at the McKinleyville Middle School Conference Center. Agenda items include public comment, an update on the Center at McKinleyville; a standing item on the Working Group on Racism in McKinleyville; committeemember reports and future agenda items; and more.

ARCATA CITY COUNCIL The Arcata City Council meets **Thursday, Oct. 26** at 6 p.m. at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St. for a community safety study session. Agenda items include a discussion of student safety, including a review of previous safety work and personal experiences; brainstorming with existing working groups and new priority ideas; identification of next steps; an update on the David Josiah Lawson investigation; and more.



Councilmember Brett Watson

OFFICE HOURS Arcata City Councilmember Brett Watson will receive citizens **Wednesday, Oct. 25** at 5:30 p.m. at this week’s “Office Hours” session at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. The open-ended session, which takes place in the little room down the hall from the center’s lobby, is an open-ended opportunity for Arcata residents to discuss issues of concern and ask questions of the councilmember.



DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR Humboldt County Democrats will hold their Democrat of the Year dinner **Friday, Oct. 27** at the Sequoia Conference Center, 901 Myrtle Ave. in Eureka. This year’s Democrat of the Year is Cheryl Seidner, who has served as chair of the Wiyot Tribe. “She has been instrumental in leading the restoration of traditional tribal areas and reviving traditional knowledge and ceremonies in our community, which has helped to heal the scars of the past,” according to a press release. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with a no-host bar and dinner will start at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$70 in advance and \$80 at the door. For reservations contact (707) 445-3366 or call Kathy Sobilo at (707) 599-5809 for questions.

PUBLIC MEETINGS			
While the <i>Union</i> strives for accuracy, we also strongly recommend that you verify dates and times prior to setting out to attend any of the following public meetings.			
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Arcata City Council Meets first & third Wednesday	Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	cityofarcata.org
Arcata Fire District Board of Directors Meets third Tuesday	Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 5:30 p.m.	Arcata Station Classroom 631 Ninth St., Arcata	arcatafire.org
Blue Lake City Council Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Bulding behind City Hall	bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas
Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation & Conservation District Meets fourth Thursday	Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	humboldtбай.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice
Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District Meets second Thursday	Thursday, Nov. 9 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	hbmwd.com/meetings
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, Oct. 31 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
Manila Community Services District Meets third Thursday	Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm
McKinleyville Community Services District Meets first Wednesday	Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	mckinleyvillecsd.com
McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee Meets last Wednesday	today, Oct. 25 at 6 p.m.	Middle School Conf. Center, 2275 Central Ave., McKinleyville	humboldt.gov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ
Trinidad City Council Meets second Wednesday	Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	trinidad.ca.gov
Westhaven Community Services District Meets third Wednesday	Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m.	Westhaven Fire Hall, 446 Sixth Ave., Westhaven	(707) 677-0798 wcsd@suddenlinkmail.com

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❖ GREEN RUSH

‘Significant concerns’ over interim cannabis permitting

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HUMBOLDT – Over the strong objections of the county’s environmental advocates and the state’s Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), the Planning Commission has voted to allow hundreds of existing marijuana growers to continue cultivating before they finish the permitting process.

At the Oct. 19 commission meeting, the county’s planning director refuted the claims of several environmental groups and a DFW representative that doing so would violate the California Environmental Quality Act. He told commissioners that allowing what’s being described as “interim permitting” is aligned with the environmental review supporting the county’s commercial marijuana production ordinance.

There are 725 existing growers whose permit applications have been deemed as complete and who are eligible for the interim permitting. The program is being launched in response to the advance of state commercial marijuana licensing, which is due to start in January but could begin as early as next month.

The county’s ordinance covers commercial medical marijuana production. Since the state’s reviews cover marijuana for general or recreational use and include confirmation of local permitting, the county views the interim approvals as a means of syncing local and state processes.

But during a public comment session, it was described as an end run around the conditions of the county marijuana ordinance’s environmental review document.

Scott Bauer of the DFW’s Watershed Enforcement Team said his agency has “significant concerns with providing interim permits to so many sites without some level of environmental review.”

He added that granting interim permits is “against what we believe is required” in the county marijuana ordinance’s environmental review document.

The DFW has commented on about 200 marijuana permit applications since last April and Bauer said dozens have “erroneously reported their existing cultivation size ... in some cases substantially.”

Bauer said there are instances where some applications were made under the existing grow category but aerial photography shows no evidence of it. The county should “at a minimum” review aerial imagery and check grow sizes before issuing interim permits, he continued.

Representatives of environmental groups also warned against the interim program. Stephanie Tidwell, the executive director of Friends of the Eel River (FOER), said her group “already had grave concerns” about the permitting process and they’ve intensified.

The county is “now proposing to dispense with even the limited environmental review” of its marijuana ordinance, she

continued.

Scott Greacen, FOER’s conservation director, referred to the DFW’s stance and described interim permitting as a means of giving non-compliant growers a regulatory pass.

“If you’re going to give people a way out of complying then you’re really pulling the rug out from under the ordinance,” he said.

Tom Wheeler of the Environmental Protection and Information Center said his group shares the concerns.

The claims of skirting environmental review were firmly countered by County Planning Director John Ford.

He explained that grows in existence prior to establishment of the county’s permitting system are not considered to be non-compliant if they continue cultivating as they’re going through the approval process.

“Nothing is being permitting in the context of this ordinance amendment that’s not already allowed,” he said. “There is no change – all this functionally does is that it issues an interim permit for people who are already allowed to continue to operate.” Interim permits are useful, he added, because they will set conditions such as prohibitions against expanding or diverging from what’s detailed in permit applications. Ford agreed to having his staff validate reported grow site conditions. Regarding false permit application information, he said, “In all honesty, that’s something we deal with

every single day.”

He acknowledged that there’s “a time crunch” with double-checking 725 applications but “in light of the concern here, that is something that needs to be done.”

A majority of commissioners voted to recommend that the county’s Board of Supervisors amend the marijuana ordinance to include interim permitting. Some of the amendment language made it unclear that the ordinance’s environmental review will still apply and was stricken.

Commissioners Dave Edmunds and Alan Bongio cast dissent votes.

The commission then proceeded with its ongoing marijuana workshop, discussing the content of recent local workshops in Garberville and Willow Creek, and several aspects of a new draft version of the marijuana ordinance.

The commission will continue the workshop process on Nov. 2. It will be capped by a public hearing, a benchmark that was originally scheduled to occur last week.

THE BUMPERS The McKinleyville Low Vision Support group, The Bumpers, invites the public to its meeting Monday, Oct. 30, from 11 a.m. to noon at Azalea Hall 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville. The group will medication bottles and staying safe when you can’t read them. For information contact Doug Rose (707) 839-0588 or doug-drose@suddenlink.net.

Manila | Cable barrier could separate trail, traffic

❖ FROM A1

255 between Pacific and Carlson avenues.

Humboldt County and the California Department of Transportation are jointly working on the trail, which is being funded with a \$1.7 million grant from California’s Active Transportation Program.

Seemann said the design would be completed and permits obtained in the coming year, with the construction to take place during the summer of 2019, if all goes as planned.

The trail, which Seemann described as a “shared use path,” would be 10-feet wide and would be at least 13 feet west of the highway. The trail would curve through Caltrans right-of-way to avoid wetlands and willow patches.

Engineers are also considering installing a cable barrier between the trail and the highway. The barrier would be similar to the one between the northbound and southbound lanes of U.S. Highway 101 in Arcata.

Engineers are also considering installing street lights at the intersection of State Route 255 and Pacific and Dean avenues. The lights would be similar to the ones down the street at Lupin Avenue. Seemann said the lights may be removed from the project depending on the cost of the cable barrier.

“One of the goals of this project is safety and mobility,” Seemann said.

The project would include a “Manila Moves” education program that would encourage people to walk and ride bicycles.

Bayside | Local

❖ FROM A1

the state and national organizations, and protecting their assets.

“Another organization can’t put mandates on us unless we sign a contract with them,” said Hall President Pete Oringer. “And we haven’t.”

The state and national organizations are “confining and not relevant,” said Hall Vice President Maggie Gainer. “They’re a distraction from my community.”

Dues collected by the former Grange were scooped up by the national organization, which used them to lobby for legislation closely aligned with Trump Administration policies on issues like healthcare, biotechnology and even Internet neutrality.

“All the dues went out of the community for nonsense,” Gainer said.

She finds the new state Guild “more contemporary and more supportive.”

Her principal concern is reinvigorating the Hall as a center for the community.

It has a new Board of Directors (with one vacancy), and is rolling out its new name and fresh direction with multiple events continuing through December.

Gainer said she’d like people to hold their events there – weddings, life celebrations, art shows, dinners, dances and more.

She’d like people to share their historic photos of family and other events held there.

She’d also like to infuse the Hall with a younger and more diverse leadership.



YUMMY SUNDAY Thanks to Mary Lowry and others, no one went away hungry from Sunday’s quarterly Breakfast in Bayside.

Humboldt Bay Trail | Grand Opening Nov. 19

❖ FROM A1

actual awardee until the contract was awarded.

- An incorrect address for a subcontractor was listed on winning bidder McCullough Construction’s bid.
- Signatures on various bid documents were missing, and the city never specified that they be signed.

The city held that the errors Mercer-Fraser cited were trivial and didn’t substantively affect the integrity of the bidding process. The city also contended that Mercer-Fraser’s requested construction stoppage would cause millions of dollars in grants for the trail to be withdrawn, effectively killing the entire project.

The company had asked that it be awarded the contract for the trail rather than McCullough Construction. The company later attempted to halt construction via a temporary restraining order and then a temporary injunction, both of which were denied.

According to City Attorney Nancy Dia-

mond, Judge Tim Cissna said Oct. 16 that the city had properly awarded the construction contract to McCullough as the lowest responsive responsible bidder, that the City’s Addendum No. 2 to the bid document clarified that the non-collusion affidavit had to be signed, and that rejection of SEB’s bid as nonresponsive for failing to have submitted the non-collusion affidavit was not “an abuse of discretion.” The judge also pointed out that Mercer-Fraser had submitted a signed non-collusion affidavit.

The HBTN will link Arcata with Eureka via a three-mile, Class 1, ADA-compliant bike and pedestrian trail from Samoa Boulevard to the U.S. Highway 101/Bracut intersection. Located on the North Coast Railroad Authority’s disused rail easement, the trail is part of the Humboldt Bay Trail, and will become part of the California Coastal Trail.

The trail’s Grand Opening is set for Sunday, Nov. 19 at 10 a.m. at a location to be announced.

Coaches | Censure to be considered at an upcoming meeting

❖ FROM A1

“Most importantly,” Bisio said, “I believe in modeling to the players what it looks like to truly love what you do and how to love one another.”

As for cutting players from the team, Bisio explained that this is part of the job.

“As has been said earlier, in coaching and leadership, making difficult decisions comes with the territory. I understand and appreciate how some of my decisions could be viewed [as] unpopular, and making everybody happy all the time is not realistic in the profession,” Bisio said.

Arcata resident Joe Mateer asked the board why Trustee Knight had not recused herself, as she has a conflict of interest.

The conflict is over a complaint filed by Knight’s sister over her child (Knight’s nephew) not getting on the basketball team. Earlier at the Oct. 16 meeting, the board discussed censuring Knight over the conflict, her harsh criticism of a parent volunteer at the Oct. 10 meeting and ongoing outbursts. (*Union*, Oct. 18, 2017).

“I would ask that Ms. Knight recuse herself and actually leave the room,” Mateer said.

Knight, however, stayed on the dais during public testimony, only recusing herself at the very end of the board’s discussion.

“One of the things about being an elected official or a representative government is that we trust our democratic process, and our democratic process, one of the essential principles of democracy, is that we protect the minority from the tyranny of the majority,” Knight said.

Knight referenced her sister’s complaint and started to discuss it, spurring Superintendent Roger Macdonald to cut her off.

“Jennifer, you may not talk about that,” Macdonald said.

The complaint is a personnel issue and is supposed to be kept confidential by the district.

Knight said she received a legal opinion from the district’s counsel stating that she had a conflict of interest and should recuse herself. Knight questioned the opinion and said she was interested in following “policies and procedures.” She then announced that she would recuse herself.

“My intentions are to defend democracy, to make sure minority voices are heard,” Knight said.

The board then convened into closed session and later voted to approve the hiring of the two coaches for the 2017/2018 school year. Board president Toste and trustees Brian Lovell and Brian Gerving approved the hiring. Knight recused herself from the vote and trustee Dana Silvernale was out of town tending to a sick family member.

The board is tentatively scheduled to consider censuring Knight at its Nov. 14 meeting, which starts at 6 p.m. at McKinleyville High School, 1300 Murray Rd.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

How much longer must I gaze at that godawful hunk of crap?

• **Sunday, October 1 6:02 p.m.** Santa’s helpers – this one all yuletidey in green baseball hat and red backpack – may have fallen on hard times, if the Valley West dumpster spelunker is any indication. After mining a supermarket’s trash bins, the hardscrabble elf set a course for a nearby nail salon.

6:52 p.m. Five men in a red Impala ostentatiously enjoyed a large bottle of cognac while heading north from 11th and G streets.

7:06 p.m. Police arrested someone for driving under the influence at 14th and G streets.

• **Monday, October 2:31 a.m.** Campers, 16th Street.

7:51 a.m. Vehicle campers on Ariel Way, and after two weeks parked in front of someone’s house, the resident was weary enough of looking at their hulking vehicle to reach for the phone.

8:55 a.m. An abandoned crap-camp on the switchbacks from Seventh Street down to the Community Park featured a diseased-looking mattress under a tree, a smattering of spent food containers and a spikey sprinkling of used syringes.

9:12 a.m. Residents asked that a yellow school bus camped in a red

zone on Eastern Avenue for two weeks be moved along.

9:15 a.m. Campers at the marsh feigned interest in a warning.

1:22 p.m. A Westwood Court resident complained that her mail carrier was wrecking her mail – ripping and crumpling it up, even sending important bills and other letters back to the sender even though the addresses were correct. It had to be the carrier, she said, since her mailbox is locked and only she and the carrier have access. She’s said she’s spoken to the Post Office, but it hasn’t helped.

1:55 p.m. A man carrying a bag of plants had some sort of negative interaction with the universe, and punched at the air around him as he jabbered nonsensically.

2:04 p.m. Tensions ramped up in usually tranquil Maria Court as a man claimed his neighbor was spying on him through his library window and threatening him.

2:05 p.m. A maintenance guy left his tools unattended in an Alliance Road apartment for a short time, and when he returned, a red and black tool box and two drills

were gone.

6:19 p.m. A man was seen loading multiple mini-fridges into his camper van on Valley West Boulevard.

• **Tuesday, October 3 12:35 a.m.** As part of the ongoing siege of a Valley West preschool, a man at the back door tried to wrestle it open amid sounds of metal clanking. The would-be intruder, clad in ruffian-chic leather jacket and hoodie, was arrested.

7:38 a.m. An M Street preschool reported a dolphin-colored vehicle camping in its parking lot. It was moved along.

5:10 p.m. A 13th Street resident complained that her verbally aggressive neighbor was chopping down her fence with an axe.

• **Wednesday, October 4 8:04 a.m.** A baggily-clothed man on a bicycle yelled and swerved in and out of traffic on Janes Road.

9:26 a.m. Multiple ornery lurkabouts surrounded by trash swarmed the switchbacks along Seventh Street at the Community Park.

9:47 a.m. A man in gray sweats who was somehow associated with multiple bicycles ran in and

out of traffic and yelled at Zehnder and R streets.

10:07 a.m. As a 7- and 8-year-old waited out front of a 16th Street community swimming pool, a middle-aged gent offered them ice cream, which they refused.

10:35 a.m. “Come and get me!” drunkenly howled a tall drink o’ firewater standing in the middle of the roadway at Janes Road and Haeger Avenue. Police took the lengthy lush up on the invitation.

11:25 a.m. A woman in tie-dye clothing pushed a shopping cart and yelled at 18th and F streets.

12:24 p.m. A druggie was arrested at the Portland Loo.

• **Thursday, October 5 3:14 a.m.** A boyfriend and girlfriend disagreed about custody of their shared cat. With Solomon-like wisdom, APD directed them to small claims court.

10:49 a.m. Speeding vehicles on Buttermilk Lane have never been abated by the humps, signs or radar readout, and now that it has a glassy new million-dollar surface, *zoom zoom!*

12:06 p.m. For not the first time, a skinny dude in a baseball cap spun in circles with a puppy draped around his neck, as one

does, this time near City Hall.

11:11 p.m. A 13th Street business reported a former employee - who must have known about the video security system – coming in at 11:30 p.m. the previous night and stealing multiple items.

• **Friday, October 6 11:30 a.m.** If spitting on someone has ever improved the human condition, it had a different outcome than did the unexpected expectoration on F Street.

12:07 p.m. Asked politely to depart a 13th Street business, a man with an orange backpack misheard the request as “Threaten me and throw a chair.”

• **Sunday, October 8 1:05 a.m.** Albumen-based funsters flung eggs at passersby on G Street, the jollity and merriment abruptly ending when their red car swerved and struck a silver car.

1:48 p.m. A woman five months pregnant said her sister had assaulted her.

10:29 p.m. What, you say I’m hanging around your Alliance Road business for no discernible reason at this hour and you’d like me to leave, please? Allow me to counter-argue that point rather furiously.

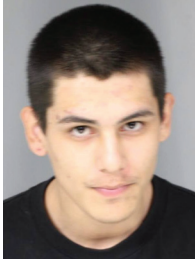


RUGER The handgun Arcata Police say Ramon Jealousofhim was carrying. APD PHOTO

Jealousofhim flees crash scene in cab

ARCATA POLICE DEPT.

BAYSIDE – On Friday, Oct. 20 at 12:19 a.m., APD officers were dispatched to the 1600 block of Old Arcata Road on a report of a hit-and-run traffic collision into a fence. Officers checked the area and located the suspect vehicle on the 2400 block of Golf Course Road, but the driver had fled.



Roman Jealousofhim

An APD officer noticed a taxi cab leaving the area and conducted a traffic stop. The suspected driver of the vehicle was the passenger in the cab, and attempting to flee the scene.

Officers discovered the suspect, Roman Jealousofhim, was in possession of a loaded firearm and methamphetamine. Jealousofhim was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on suspicion of possession of a concealed firearm, possession of methamphetamine and hit and run.



MUTUAL AID APD Officer Greg Pope, Officer Brandon Parker, Sgt. Ron Sligh and Officer Victoria Marr assisted Mendocino County law enforcement during recent fires there. The officers helped with barricades at road closures and patrols of evacuated areas. APD PHOTO

Mack Town hit & run trial delayed

Paul Mann
MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA – The November trial of a McKinleyville hit-and-run murder suspect has been postponed until the defense receives an accident reconstruction report from an outside expert.

James Arthur Merrick II, 47, is accused of killing Tessa Gingerich, 16, also of McKinleyville, in an alcohol-fueled hit-and-run collision near Mill Creek Marketplace last December. Gingerich was a student at Pacific Coast High School.

Tentatively, the trial had been scheduled to begin Nov. 20, but last week the defense requested a continuance while a San Francisco-area accident reconstruction company, Rudy Degger and Associates, conducts an engineering analysis of the fatal collision.

Merrick’s interim defense lawyer, Marek Reavis of the county’s Conflict Counsel Office, said in a subsequent interview late Friday that there was no fixed date for Degger to complete the reconstruction.

Reavis had said at a mid-week court hearing, where he requested the continuance, that a new colleague in the Conflict Counsel’s Office, Meagan O’Connell, would be taking over the defense.

Merrick appeared in handcuffs and an orange jail jumpsuit but did not speak.

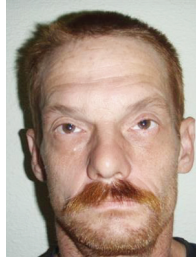
The People, on behalf of Gingerich’s family and loved ones, opposed the continuance in favor of expediting the trial. Reavis argued that the accident reconstruction is crucial to Merrick’s defense.

Accident reconstruction and forensic engineering use simulation software and other techniques to pinpoint all or most of the factors in-play in a crash or collision. Mechanical systems, including steering and braking, are investigated, along with road conditions. State-of-the-art data mining can determine engine and vehicle speeds, throttle position and brake status five seconds prior to impact, according to Degger’s website.

The results of the reconstruction might enable the defense to argue that Merrick’s murder charge should be reduced to vehicular manslaughter, in view of the recently installed median strips in high-traffic locations of McKinleyville.

Merrick, who has a prior DUI record and is a registered out-of-state sex offender, “voluntarily admitted to having consumed alcohol earlier in the evening” of Dec. 14, according to notes taken at the scene by a California Highway Patrol officer and put in the defendant’s case file.

Merrick’s blood alcohol levels registered .166 percent and .159 percent; the legal limit is 0.08 percent.



James Arthur Merrick II

The defendant said he was alone in his 2000 Dodge Ram 1500 when he allegedly struck Gingerich. She died at Mad River Community Hospital shortly after being hit after dark at about 8:07 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

Merrick pleaded not guilty to four counts: murder; driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury within 10 years of another DUI offense; DUI with more than 0.08 percent blood alcohol content, causing injury; and hit and run driving resulting in the death of, or serious injury to, another person.

Merrick’s \$1 million bail was withheld by then-Judge Marilyn B. Miles because of his prior DUI and violation of probation for “reckless driving involving alcohol.” (Miles retired in July).

According to the California Highway Patrol, Gingerich was walking northbound on the east shoulder of Central Avenue, north of Anna Sparks Way, in McKinleyville. Merrick was turning his 2000 Dodge Ram 1500 from eastbound Anna Sparks Way onto northbound Central Avenue. He allegedly allowed his truck, a model that weighs in at some 4,100-5,200 pounds, “to drift off the roadway and onto the shoulder after turning onto Central Avenue.”

After striking the teenager, Merrick continued eastbound on the shoulder until it ran into a light pole, the CHP said.

“Witnesses on-scene stated that Merrick attempted to back his truck away from the area of impact, moving five to 10 feet from the impact,” according to the arrest record. “Merrick had to be physically removed from [the] truck by witnesses to keep him from fleeing the scene,” officers reported.

The fatal McKinleyville hit-and-run occurred some five months after the deaths of two teenage girls a year ago in July in Fortuna. Marci Kitchen of Fortuna is free on \$750,000 bail after pleading not guilty on multiple counts to colliding with her daughter Kiya, 14, and close friend Faith Lorraine Tsarnas, also 14, as they skateboarded together on Fortuna’s outskirts after dark.

Like Merrick, Kitchen is accused of drunken driving but is charged with gross vehicular manslaughter, not murder, among other charges.

Her trial, repeatedly delayed, is scheduled to start Monday, Nov. 13, but her lawyers might request another continuance at the trial confirmation hearing Oct. 25.

Courthouse blogger John Chiv reported Oct. 16 that her attorneys have subpoenaed records from Oakland Children’s Hospital, where Kiya Kitchen succumbed the morning after she was struck down, allegedly at high speed. Marci Kitchen was present when her daughter died.

Sign up for emergency alerts

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT – Sheriff William Honsal and the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services strongly urge all Humboldt residents to register for Humboldt Alert by Everbridge, in order to receive critical emergency information like evacuation orders. Registering only takes a few minutes, at humboldtgov.org/alerts.

Humboldt Alert allows users to register whatever contact methods are best for them, including text messaging on cell phones, voice calls on cell and/or land

lines, and email. Push notifications are also available when you install the Everbridge app on your smartphone. Most alerts are sent to a specific geographic area, based on addresses that users register. Not all registered users will receive all alerts. Registered information is confidential, and only used for emergency warning.

If you have not signed up for the new system in the last few months, then you are not currently registered to receive alerts on cell phones, unlisted land lines, or by email, even if you have received notifica-

tion in the past. Information from the previous system could not be carried over, and only listed land lines were pre-loaded into the new system.

During the registration process, you will have the option to note any needs that first responders should be aware of in the event of an evacuation, like disabilities and medical conditions. Users can also register special skills and training that may be needed following a local disaster.

The recent events in neighboring counties are a terrible reminder that emergency conditions requiring immediate evacuations do not always allow time for door-to-door notifications. Having the ability to

contact many people very quickly may be the most effective public safety tool available to first responders, to inform you of a rapidly developing emergency.

Humboldt County uses two evacuation warning levels, as follows:

• Voluntary Evacuation Advisory – Evacuations may become necessary at any time. Please be prepared to leave, and await further instructions.

• Mandatory Evacuation Order – Immediate evacuations are ordered for a designated area imminently threatened by a public safety hazard.

For Humboldt Alert registration assistance, call (707) 268-2500.

OPINION

We’ve been publishing plagiarized content. It’s our fault, and we’re sorry

Stunned. Shocked. SMH. WTF. These overused terms may have lost their potency, but it is still possible to experience the sensations they describe on a gut level. Last weekend, we did, in ways that are still unfolding.

We found out that bylined sports articles in the *Union* and presented as original work have included plagiarized content.

A lot of it.

Overall, the stolen verbiage holds many of the classic characteristics of plagiarism we’ve seen in other high-profile instances in newspapers, books, even in academia and science. Content was clearly copied from other news sources, modified and masked to varying degrees (or not at all) using a variety of tactics, then presented to the editors as original material and dutifully published

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in the *Union*.

Several stories were lightly rewritten with word substitutions and rephrasings. Some sentences somewhat truncated or extended and interspersed with direct lifts from bylined, even copyrighted sports stories available online.

In one typical instance, the original writer’s use of the word “bookended” was replaced with “sandwiched” in otherwise identical text.

Other times the stories have some possibly original introductory verbiage that gives way to a near-verbatim story published earlier by another publication.

Make no mistake: this lapse is the responsibility of the editors and publishers of the *Union*.

Thus:

- We apologize first to anyone who purchased or subscribed to the newspaper for passing off recycled content as our own.

- We’ve notified and apologized to the writers and organizations from whom *Union* content was stolen.

- We’ll continue to review published stories for further instances of plagiarism, and will make further acknowledgments as they may arise.

- Other than unalterable PDF files, all content by our former sports editor has been removed from our website.

Of course we’re are appalled that our newspaper has been a vehicle for intellectual theft. One can imagine the horror and dismay. Unfortunately, we don’t have to imagine this. You can bet

we’ll be more vigilant henceforth, because it turns out this kind of thing really happens.

But how did it happen? Our guard was down. You just don’t expect outright deception on this scale after extending trust, and seemingly enjoying common goals and principles. With a sigh, we do now.

Union readers well know the extraordinary lengths to which we go to cultivate fresh, local writing with all its charms and limitations. It was only a matter of time before we discovered this blatant malpractice, and we only wish we (or anyone) had done so much earlier.

There have been plagiarized submissions before, and we’ve been relieved to filter them out pre-publication. Bogus bits have indeed gotten through, though never to this extent, and not in-

ternally.

Our challenge now is to continue to use our resources to remain open and available to all – even to the level of reformatting the newspaper to accommodate a new idea, as we did with the now-suspended Sports section – while not ending up paying for and passing along plagiarized content.

Never hesitate to share your criticism, advice and ideas, because as long as we do this, that’s what keeps the newspaper interesting and relevant. We’re holding out hope that one day we can again offer that mainstay of small-town newspapers, a Sports section.

We hope that you, our readers, will continue to enjoy the *Union* as a source of original, community-oriented journalism.

The editors and staff of the Mad River Union

‘Half-baked, spurious nationalism’ and a health care debacled

The Bully in the Pulpit

To President Theodore Roosevelt, the term “bully” was an adjective meaning something was wonderful.

As such, he coined the phrase “bully pulpit” to mean the country listens to the president when he speaks policy.

Unfortunately, President Trump has some difficulty with this.

First, he often changes his message from day to day which leaves his real meaning unclear.

This can be seen in his inconsistent views on the health insurance efforts, his multiple comments on the Charlottesville riot, and his on-again off-again threats to North Korea.

At other times, his message is clear but the message itself is just bullying. He has attacked a number of cabinet members and elected Republicans when he thought they were acting ineffectively or did not support his programs well enough.

And similarly he has made threats to Democrats for their lack of support overall. His most current threat is in retaliation to Sen. John McCain for a speech he gave recently.

Without naming Trump directly, McCain made reference to a country with “half-baked, spurious nationalism” and added that the USA “will not thrive in a world where our leadership and ideals are absent.”

Trump’s comment to this was a warning to McCain; you have to be careful because “at some point I will fight back and it won’t be pretty.”

Because of Trump’s meandering advocacy and threats, I conclude there is little “bully pulpit” right now but rather more “bully in the pulpit.”

What is truly ironic in all this is that first lady Melania

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Trump herself is a strong advocate opposing bullying. She even gave a speech at the UN last month saying how important it is to teach world youth that bullying is unacceptable.

Unfortunately, it appears her advocacy hasn’t rubbed off on her spouse.

Sherman Schapiro
Blue Lake

Wood and single-payer health

Assemblyperson Jim Wood has repeatedly said that he is in favor of health care for all but he has not said that he is in favor of the single payer health care system for California. We have all heard a lot of rhetoric coming from politicians that insist that they are in favor of affordable health care for all, but the fact of the matter is that health care costs have risen by 12.5 percent per year over the last 15 years and costs and deductibles have risen to levels that are unsustainable causing the health care system to break for Californians.

The truth is clear.

Wood is Chair of the Health Committee in the State Assembly and supported Speaker Anthony Rendon to sideline the bill in the Rules Committee. He recently stated, “I will do my best to identify those solutions that are comprehensive and sustainable, and that will ultimately provide affordable health care for all Californians. I think we need to put everything on the table.”

What is everything and where is his clear support for single payer health care? The State of California concluded in 2013 that “anything but a nonprofit, single payer system

would only perpetuate the abuses and inequities of the past.”

Wood said “This committee is charged with identifying a pathway that we can propose to the full legislature.” The truth is that SB 562, The Healthy California Act, has already been proposed to the legislature and he is partly responsible for its delay even though the Democratic Party Platform supports it.

Wood is one of many politicians who has taken money from the special interest insurance groups that do not want the legislation to pass the legislature because it is profitable for these private insurance companies and drug manufacturers. Health care has been studied time and again and it is clear knowledge that every western industrialized nation that provides single payer health care does it at half the cost of the United States. Of course, the insurance companies do not want a single payer health care system because it eliminates the profit and greed that comes with the insurance companies providing the middle man in the health care system.

Wood has great health insurance provided by the state government. When asked specifically about his health insurance policy and the total cost, his cost to the policy, deductibles, copayments, and other pertinent information, the Rules Committee and Wood refused to release the information. It is harder to move with urgency when your own health care insurance is great. Tell this to the family that is struggling right now with these high costs and high deductibles that can drive them to destruction and possible death.

Yet Wood still wants to hold hearings with a Select Committee on Health Care Delivery Systems. It is time to act when the solution has been studied time and again. “Shit or get off the pot.” The time is now!

Winchell Dillenbeck
McKinleyville

Economic development and creating more jobs in McKinleyville

Currently, economic development and jobs in McKinleyville are dependent almost entirely on the bedroom communities’ own income and expenses. There is very little money from outside the community that is spent in McKinleyville. This is the status quo.

So, how can we change this and develop more economic activity, bring in money from outside the community, improve the bottom line at local businesses and create more jobs?

Recently, I wrote about some opportunities for the community to start changing this status quo. I see tremendous opportunity for the community to grow its economy. I tend to see the “glass half full” whereas current leadership at the county tends to see the “glass half empty.”

It’s the same glass, but how we view it makes all the difference in whether we try to do anything about this stagnant “status quo.” By example when I presented recent concepts for a “Vista Point Park” as a potential economic engine for McKinleyville, our current supervisor discounted the concept (see Channel 23 news clip from Sept. 21) and said the county did not have the staff time to pursue this concept because they were busy with work on the general plan and the cannabis ordinance.

The General Plan was nearly done 6-8 years ago, but the current Board of Supervisors, supported by the real estate development interests in the county and beyond, spent massive amounts of our taxpayer dollars dismantling the plan and making it more developer friendly. They also have spent considerable taxpayer funds making sure that the new cannabis ordinance allows for major commercial cannabis oper-

ations.

Rather than coming up with reasons why something cannot be done (glass half empty), we need leaders who will see the glass half full and do whatever it takes to bring together resources and people to make something happen.



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OPINION
Steve
Madrone

In order for McKinleyville to grow its economy and provide more jobs, we have to increase sales and attract visitors who will spend money at local businesses. How do we do that?

Developing a Vista Point Park on existing public property is one way we can do that. By expanding the Vista Point Facility to include the county parcel on the south side of the current Vista Point,

and changing the access to come off of Airport Road, we can effectively entice travelers to pull off the highway for the magnificent view.

This is the first place travelers see the ocean since crossing the Golden Gate Bridge. See my guest opinion on this proposal in the *Mad River Union* dated April 26, 2017 for more detail.

Once they pull off the highway to see the view and explore a visitor’s center and a California Welcome Center, then we have them hooked and they stay a night, eat a meal, shop at a local store, and plan an even longer visit in the future to hike our trails, visit our parks and spend money. It is an easy scenario where we go fishing for travelers with views, trails, visitor centers and more.

An example of how this can work is the Elk Valley RV Park at Stone Lagoon. Back in the 1980s, while I was working at Redwood Community Action Agency and just starting work on the Hammond Trail, we

began a project to restore the creek (McDonald Creek) that flowed through the RV park property. At that time there were only a handful of elk that had left the Prairie Creek herd and set up at that location. The creek had no trees along it, its banks were eroding and the creek went dry in the summer.

So we worked with the landowner and fenced off the creek from the cows, planted trees and worked with landowners upslope to control erosion. Over the past 30 years the trees grew up tall, the stream banks stabilized, upslope erosion was reduced, and the creek now flows year round supporting steelhead and cutthroat trout.

This improved riparian area provides nursery areas for the elk and today the herd numbers nearly a hundred males and females and lots of babies this year.

The RV park changed its name to Elk Country and now fishes for tourists with elk. This was a successful economic development effort that benefited business while also benefiting the environment, wildlife and fisheries. It was a win-win for the economy and the environment.

How do we make this happen in McKinleyville? There are grant moneys available to do all of this using the tax dollars we already paid. We can bring those taxes home and create economic development and jobs for our community.

Once the facilities are built at Vista Point Park the increased economic activity will fund on-going maintenance and operation costs. This increased activity will lead to more overnight stays increasing the demand for more hotels and other services in the under-developed Airport Business Park.

A more functional Vista Point combined with a fully developed Business Park will

create jobs and lead to further economic activity throughout the town.

Then add to this the development of a “Town Center,” which the community has been asking for. The Town Center concept has also sat idle for years as current town leadership would rather let a continued piece meal development approach with strip development along Central Avenue be the guiding approach.

At a recent meeting of the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee Anne Pierson, owner of much of the Town Center property, expressed support for the Town Center concept and hoped that the town would do more than just strip development along Central.

A Town Center will help give the town more character creating mixed use development with senior housing on top of ground floor businesses.

A pedestrian friendly environment with shops, trails, open space and gathering areas like a small outdoor concert venue for summer time “concerts in the park” types of activities can lead to even more economic activity and jobs.

The point is that there are many opportunities to increase sales at local businesses, create new business, and more jobs. What is needed is vision and expertise, and the willingness to bring together people and resources to make it happen.

What is needed is leadership that will look out for economic development opportunities that increases the wealth of our entire community, not just political campaign donors.

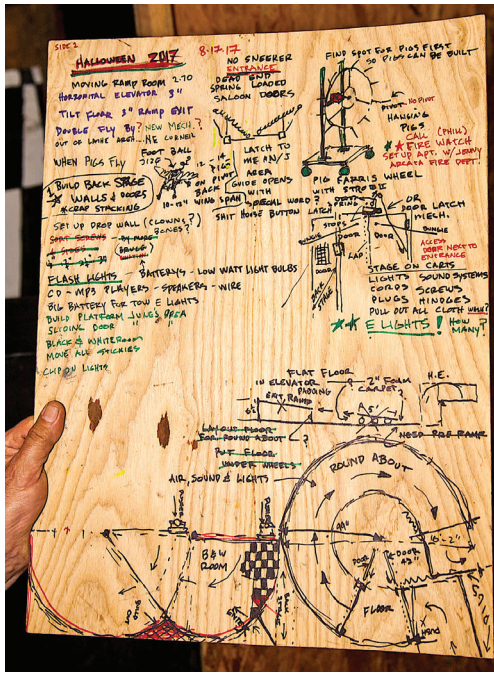
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SCREAM

SECTION B

OCTOBER 25, 2017



TERROR RECHARGED Doors have been re-created, old favorites re-dusted, gallons of black paint slathered and chilling new thrills added to the Haunted Kinetic Lab of Horrors, at the corner of Eighth and N streets in Arcata's Creamery District. Counterclockwise from top: a terrifying clown; a warning sure to be disregarded; Ken Beidleman displays the top secret plan for this year's lab; a lineup of spooks, and that woman who got lost in the lab last time. This year's lab features music by the DeadDrops and La Bonita food truck while you're waiting in line. The lab serves up four nights of terror Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 26 to 28 and Halloween, Tuesday, Oct. 31 from 7 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$12 at the door; proceeds fund the lab for next year's 50th kinetic race! Recommended for ages 13 and over. (707) 822-4805



ZERO WASTE WARRIOR Gleaner Joe Zazo, who diverts over 100 tons of food from the local wastestream every year, will be honored at Arcata House Partnership's Top Gleaned Chef contest this Saturday.

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Eat, drink and be merry this month (and next), all in service of worthy causes

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Whether you're harvesting candy, glean-ing autumn's bounty or quaffing a brew with a brat, late October signals the beginning of the season of the feast. Here, for your consideration, are a selection of opportunities to tuck in and fatten up in time for winter. Eat, drink and be merry, for all of these events benefit worthy causes.

Arcata House Partnership Top Gleaned Chef

Join Arcata House Partnership and their professional gleaner, Joe Zazo, at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy., Saturday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. for the Top Gleaned Chef competition, an evening of music, food and a celebration of glean-ing, a practice that turns excess into access by diverting food from local grocery stores and farms from the landfill and instead benefitting people who are food insecure in the community.

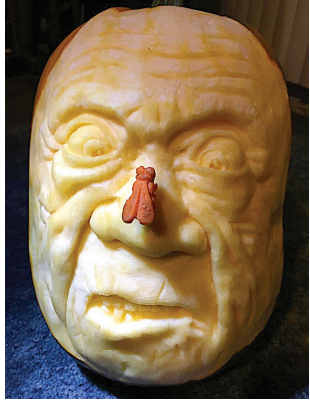
What is glean-ing? According to Arcata House Partnership, in Humboldt County, one in five people are food insecure, yet 40 percent of food goes to waste. To help remedy the food crisis, the organization, in conjunction with Food for People, employs Zazo, who has been working to reduce food waste for the past 16 years. Zazo drives a white van around Humboldt County collecting food that can no longer be sold from grocery stores and local businesses and delivers it to many different organizations (see sidebar on page B2).

Arcata House Partnership reports that each year, Zazo diverts some 225,000 lbs. of food from the landfill, instead providing it to people who otherwise would go hungry. Over the past 16 years, Zazo, alone, has redistributed over 3.6 million lbs. of food.

The Top Gleaned Chef competition will celebrate Zazo's work through a gleaned-food cook off, with enthusiastic community members competing against each other to win the title of Ultimate Gleaned Chef. Teams have collected sponsors and pledges to qualify. Offsite, they will create a dish using only ingredients, gleaned by Zazo, from a mystery basket they picked up the previous day. The winner will be chosen by a panel of judges in a blind taste-test at the event. Attendees will also have the opportunity to sample each dish. In addition, there will be a beer and wine bar, as well as light hors d'oeuvres by Citrine Catering.

A fundraiser for Arcata House Partnership, the event will feature live music by two favorite local bands, RL and the Jim Lahman Band. Doors open at 7 p.m., Gleaned Chef winners announced at 7:30 p.m., followed by an evening to dance the night away.

OKTOBERFEST ♦ B2



Will our local pumpkin king be crowned?

Janine Volkmar

MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – At first glance, Mike Craghead seems like another one of those multitalented folks in Humboldt: musician, father, artist, but still working his day job with the county. They are among us and are our friends. We support their artistic endeavors and are proud of them but we also share with them the daily reality of working, supporting a family, and volunteering in the community.

But how many of us make it onto network television? Oh sure, everyone remembers when the awesome Duane Flatmo rode a bicycle while playing "Malaguena" on his guitar with an egg-beater on national TV. But that was years ago.

This fall, Craghead is appearing on *Halloween Wars*, a competition reality show on the Food Network. For the uninitiated, this involves competing with six teams of food artists to cre-

ate complex food sculptures or scenes in front of a panel of celebrity judges and the world watching. Oh, the pressure!

The show is in its seventh season; the season finale airs Sunday, Oct. 29 at 9 p.m.

No one can say, not even Craghead himself, what the final result will be, as to whether or not his team won. "I can say that we made it to episode four," he allowed in an interview.

Craghead is perfect for the show, as he is the consummate pumpkin carver. He carves pumpkins into creatures that, once seen, will haunt your nightmares.

"I started carving as a kid," he said, "only normal ones. It wasn't until about 10 years ago that I started making the teeth more 3D. Then I did a skull, and then a whole skeleton."

Now, his carvings take two to four hours or even more and they are both elaborate and scary. *Halloween Wars* seems tailor-made for

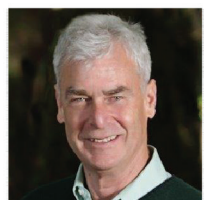


GOD OF GOURDS Mike Craghead is competing on Food Network's *Halloween Wars*. At left, examplars of Craghead's creepy craft.

MIKE CRAGHEAD PHOTO COURTESY FOOD NETWORK; PUMPKIN PHOTOS COURTESY MIKE CRAGHEAD

his kind of work. Besides pumpkin carvers, the other participants are artists in sugar and cake, capable of making elaborate structures out of baking ingredients.

PUMPKIN KING ♦ B4



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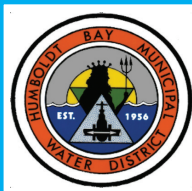
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Oktoberfest | From salads to Spätzle

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 - Arcata High School
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 - Arcata Presbyterian Church
 - Betty Chinn (as needed)
 - Blue Lake Family Resource Center
 - Food for People (16 food pantries)
 - HSU (as needed)
 - Manila Family Resource Center
 - McKinleyville Family Resource Center
- arcatahouse.org**

Lutheran Church of Arcata Oktoberfest German Dinner

If you're in the mood for some substantial fare, the Lutheran Church of Arcata, 151 East 16th St., holds its annual Oktoberfest German Dinner that same evening, Saturday, Oct. 28. The authentic German meal highlights a weekend of festivities at the Arcata church, as it joins Lutherans across the globe in celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

Oktoberfest will feature an authentic seasonal German menu showcasing *Sauerbraten* pork roasts marinated for a full week in a traditional wine-vinegar-spice brine; rich gingersnap gravy; homemade *Spätzle* (German pasta sautéed in butter); sweet-and-sour red cabbage (*Suss-saures Rotkraut*); crisp and tangy German-style green salad with a sharp Bavarian vinaigrette; and garden-fresh bacon-pear green beans (*Birnen, Bohnen und Speck*).

Accompanying this meal will be three freshly-baked German breads – *Vollkornbrot*, *Sonnenblumenbrot* and *Walnuss-Pfeffer Roggenbrot* – prepared especially for the dinner by Arcata's Beck's Bakery, and crafted from all-organic, Humboldt County-grown and locally-ground grains. The breads, based on traditional German recipes, will be baked the very morning of the event, and, in addition to being served with the meal, loaves will be available for sale, while supplies last.

Desserts will not disappoint – German *Apfelstrudel* and *Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte* (Black Forest Cake), as well as

sundry other German pastries. To drink, a selection of imported German beers and wines will be available, as well as local fresh-pressed apple cider, coffee, tea and lemon-kissed icewater.

The Oktoberfest meal is served tableside, family-style. Bavarian and fall-themed décor plus live accordion music complete the event's festive Old World atmosphere. The reservation-only dinner will be presented in three seatings: 3, 4:30, and 6 p.m. The cost is \$18/\$9 for students and kids. After expenses, funds raised are dedicated to Christian service and outreach in the greater Humboldt County community. This event has sold out for seven straight years, so German food lovers who wish to attend are encouraged to *macht schnell* and get their reservations as soon as possible by calling The Lutheran Church of Arcata at (707) 822-5117 or emailing gwyn@lutheranchurcharcata.org.

All are welcome for The Lutheran Church of Arcata's Reformation Service the following morning, Sunday, Oct. 29 at 9:30 a.m.

Fall luncheons

Feasting is not just for evenings, and women's groups are having a series of light luncheons honoring women.

Soroptimist International of Arcata holds its annual fall salad luncheon Thursday, Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Leavey Hall, 1730 Janes Rd. in Arcata. Enjoy a luncheon of ham and turkey, a delicious assortment of salads, with rolls and dessert. Beverages are also included and take-outs are available. Tickets are \$12/\$5 for children ages 6 to 12 years/free for chil-

dren under 6 and are available at the door or from any Soroptimist club member. Proceeds benefit Soroptimist's community service projects. For more information, contact Marge Dimmick at (707) 822-0539 or Yvonne White at (707) 832-2066.

The Eureka Veteran Center hosts the ninth annual Honoring Women Veterans Program Friday, Nov. 3 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arcata Veterans Memorial Building, 425 J St. The event is designed to recognize the many women who have voluntarily given of their time to serve their country during both war and peacetime. The Eureka Vet Center would like to invite all women veterans to attend. This year's theme is "Grow Through What You Go Through." The program will include lunch by the Sons of Italy, a presentation by Eureka Vet Center staff and a prize raffle. Registration and coffee will be from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. RSVP to the Eureka Vet Center at (707) 444-8271.

The Wha Nika Women's Club holds its annual Fall Salad Luncheon Thursday, Nov. 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mad River Grange, 100 Hatchery Rd., Blue Lake. You'll enjoy many salads, sweet breads, beans and good company, as well as a raffle and opportunity drawing. Admission is by donation of \$8, and proceeds benefit the Blue Lake Museum.

Rotary Club of Arcata Sunrise Taste of the Holidays

And finally, mark your calendars for the mother of all movable feasts, Taste of the Holidays, Thursday, Nov. 16 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy. The event, held annually, features

Humboldt County's best specialty foods and drinks, as local brewers, vintners, distillers, caterers, student chefs, restaurateurs, grocers and other food-producers lay out gorgeous spreads of delicious bite-size delectables and drinks.

There's also an impressive Dutch raffle with some pretty terrific baskets and goodies donated by local businesses.

Taste of the Holidays began in 1993, after a presentation to the Rotary Club by Wildberries owner Phil Ricord, who was then manager of the Foodworks Culinary Center in Arcata. According to the Rotary website, "The concept of showcasing local specialty food and beverage producers fit nicely with Rotary International's focus on vocations, and provided our newly-formed Rotary Club with a much needed signature fundraiser."

"The first Taste of the Holidays was actually held in the warehouse of the FoodWorks Culinary Center. The following year, since the warehouse was chock-full of product, the event was moved to the historic Jacoby's Storehouse, which had recently been beautifully restored in downtown Arcata. After many enjoyable years at the Storehouse, the event was moved to the new Arcata Community Center in 2002, and we continue to enjoy success as 'the first holiday party of the year'."

Proceeds of this annual event benefit the programs of the Rotary Club of Arcata Sunrise Community Foundation. Tickets are \$30, with a request that attendance be limited to adults 16 and over. For tickets, visit arcatasunrise.org/toth, e-mail arcatasunrise@gmail.com or join the club at one of their regular Friday morning meetings.

SONG & STORY NIGHT October's Family Literacy Night at the Eureka Library, 1313 Third St., features storyteller Ali Freedlund and her songs and stories centered around animals and the beautiful natural wilderness of the North Coast. The fun begins **today, Oct. 25** at 6:30 p.m. Each child in attendance receives a free book, donated by Tin Can Mailman, at the end of the presentation. (707) 445-3655

A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC The Trinity Alps Chamber Music performs a free concert of classical music at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, **Sunday, Oct. 29** at 7 p.m. "Nocturnes: Nightfall Illuminated" will trace the history of night music, from the elegant and lyrical works of Frederic Chopin and Nikolai Medtner, to exotic impressionist visions of Debussy and Ravel, to modern representations of darkness by composers such as Aaron Copland, Karol Szymanowski and John Cage. In keeping with this organization's mission of making music available to everyone in these communities, public concerts are listed as free events, with a suggested donation of \$20 per person to benefit the organization.

THIS IS THE LIFE The Miniplex, 401 I St., Arcata, presents the film *This is the Life*, followed by a performance by Haiku de Ko-

dename, one night only, **Friday, Oct. 27**. Oscar-winning filmmaker Ava DuVernay takes viewers back to 1989 to explore the origins of contemporary West Coast hip-hop, when a group of L.A. teenagers would gather in a South Central health food store to experiment with new rhyme patterns, melodic concepts and lyrical styles. Twenty years later, their innovations would be used by some of the biggest stars on the hip-hop scene like Mos Def, Ice Cube and Snoop Dogg. After the film, stars and hip-hop innovators Abstract Rude and Myka 9 will give a Q & A and perform a set as Haiku de Kodename with prolific Canadian b-boy Moka Only. The film starts at 7 p.m. and performance at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7 and include entry to the Haiku de Kodename performance. Tickets to the live performance only are \$10 at the door. Both events are 21 and over. miniplex.ticketleap.com/this-is-the-life/dates/

ALVIN ZHU RECITAL Alvin Zhu, first prize winner of the inaugural Patrick W. Price Competition at the Eighth Texas State International Piano Festival, presents a guest recital in the Eureka Chamber Music series **Friday, Oct. 27** at 7:30 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 716 South Ave. in Eureka. The program includes Chopin, Barber and Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*. (707) 677-3359, eurekachambermusic.org

EUREKA BOOK SALE Don't miss the big Fall Book Sale at Eureka Main Library, 1313 Third St., **Saturday, Oct. 28**. Members of Friends of the Redwood Libraries may shop Friday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. – membership sold at door! The public is welcome Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The library meeting room has nonfiction, vinyl, DVDs, CDs and children's books. Mystery, romance, sci-fi and western titles in hardback and paperback are in the garage. All proceeds benefit the Humboldt County Library System.

MOKKA MUSIC The Ethiks play international tunes **Friday, Oct. 27** at 8 p.m. at Café Mokka, 495 J St. in Arcata. There is no cover for this all-ages show. (707) 822-2228

DRUMMING AT THE EDGE Join the HSU Department of Music for "Drumming at the Edge," a Guest Artist Series concert in Fulkerson Recital Hall **Saturday, Oct. 28** at 8 p.m. The concert features Left Edge Percussion, an artist-in-residence ensemble from the Oregon Center for the Arts at Southern Oregon University, led by artistic director Terry Longshore. The dynamic and eclectic program features music by Mark Applebaum, John Cage, Erik Griswold, Terry Longshore, Steve Reich, Julia Wolfe and Nick Zammuto. Admission is \$10/\$5 for seniors, children and HSU students with ID.

AT THE ALIBI Radio Clash presents DJ Blancatron and DJ Zero One at The Alibi, 744 Ninth St. in Arcata, **Saturday, Oct. 28** at 11 p.m. There is a \$2 cover for this 21 and over show.

ZUMBATHON IN BAYSIDE Marla Joy and nine other local Zumba teachers lead a two-hour Zumbathon benefit for the Breast and Gyn Health Project **Sunday, Oct. 29** at the Bayside Community Center, 2297 Jacoby Creek Rd. It's exercise in disguise for a good cause! There will be a raffle with over 50 items. Dress in pink, or in costume! Doors open at 11:30 a.m., with Zumbathon from noon to 2 p.m. Registration is \$10 to \$15 on a sliding scale. (707) 825-8345, bghp.org

MENTAL ILLNESS EXPLORED The mysteries and meaning of mental illness will be explored at Lifetree Café, Campbell Creek Connexion at the corner of 13th and Union streets in Arcata, **Sunday, Oct. 29** at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Mysteries of Mental Illness: One Woman's Struggle to Regain Her Life," features a filmed interview with Karen McCracken, a woman diagnosed with obsessive compulsive disorder, and author of *Breaking Free From OCD*. Admission is free, as are the coffee and snacks. (707) 672-2919

HALLOWEEN LISTINGS ARE ON PAGE B3!

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25	THURSDAY, OCT. 26	FRIDAY, OCT. 27	SATURDAY, OCT. 28	SUNDAY, OCT. 29	MONDAY, OCT. 30	TUESDAY, OCT. 31
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. Sci-Fi Night		8:30 p.m. Minnesota		5:30 p.m. Hocus Pocus		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Jimmi Jeff	9 p.m. Undercovers	9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard		9 p.m. • Claire Bent & Citizen Funk
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	8 p.m. Free pool		9 p.m. Full Moon Fever	9 p.m. • Blue Rhythm Revue	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv		
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata	9 p.m. Shook Twins	9:30 p.m. Brews 'n' Bass	9:30 p.m. Hot Buttered Rum	9 p.m. • Soul Party Mad Monstrer Mash Up			9 p.m. Tennessee Jedi
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp	9 p.m. The Getdown	7 p.m. Club Triangle	10 p.m. Reggae Night	9:30 p.m. Sundaze	9:30 p.m. an-ten-ae	10 p.m. The Velvet Touch
	The Logger Bar 501 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake		7 p.m. • Healthcare for All presentation	9 p.m. Absynth Quartet	7 p.m. • Puerto Rico fundraiser	6 p.m. Potluck	all day Free pool	8:30 p.m. Lovebush
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. • RLa w/ Paula & Don	6 p.m. Fred & Jr.	6 p.m. Peach Purple	6 p.m. Delta Nationals			
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata		8 p.m. FlyLiteGemini	8 p.m. STIG	8 p.m. The Beer Scouts	2 p.m. • Happy Tree Paint & Sip	6 p.m. • Open Bluegrass Jam	
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville		9 p.m. Opera Alley Cats	9 p.m. The Beer Scouts		8 p.m. Trivia Night	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	

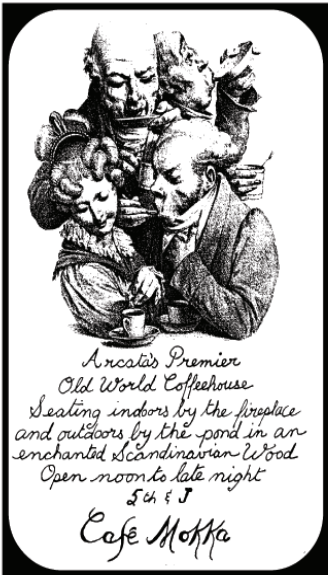
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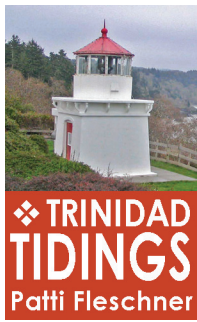
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Mystery & basketry

The Trinidad Coastal Land Trust and the Trinidad Civic Club announce a memorial service honoring the life of Chi-wei Lin (May 16, 1936-May 23, 2017) at the Trinidad Town Hall-Saturday, Nov. 4 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. This will be an informal afternoon of sharing stories about Chi-wei Lin’s life’s journey from China to Trinidad.



The service will be followed by a benefit reception from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the same location. It will feature the paintings of Chi-wei and his wife, Donna Lin. In honor of the dedication of Chi-wei’s commitment to public service, the proceeds from the sale of the art work will benefit the Trinidad Coastal Land Trust’s efforts to maintain Trinidad’s coastal access ways, and the Civic Club’s efforts to preserve the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse. Friends, acquaintances and appreciators of art are invited to either or both the memorial and the art benefit.

For information, call the land trust’s Ben Morehead at (707) 677-2501, the civic club’s Jan West (707) 677-3655 or email baycity@sonic.net.

Daughters of the Golden West at Trinidad Civic Club

Daughters of the Golden West will be guests of the Trinidad Civic Club Thursday, Nov. 2 in the Club Room, Town Hall. The business meeting starts at 10 a.m. and a program and luncheon will follow at about 11:15. Several Chapters of the California heritage organization are visiting Trinidad to view the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse as well as the Trinidad Head Lighthouse later in the afternoon. The Daughters of the Golden West contributed to the building of the Memorial Lighthouse in 1949 and they are coming back to show their support for its preservation. D’Lorah Hurton, Joey Wauters, Penne O’Gara and Jan West will host the event. Dana Hope will preside at the business meeting.

‘Just Imagine’ at Fine Arts Salon

Join Donna Haddock of Inner-Center Fine Arts Institute Friday, Nov. 3 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Ladies Salon for a discussion titled “Just Imagine.” Donna’s salons are uplifting discussions of what is beautiful in life and the arts. Light refreshments are provided. Call (707) 496-5350 for details and salon location. Reservations are helpful, as seating is limited. Inner-Center Fine Arts is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation co-founded by Donna and Charles Haddock, a world-renowned painter with his works and publications known around the globe.

Newly-published Trinidad novel

Jennifer Clark is the author of a new novel titled *Trinidad Head, CA*, subtitled *A Redwood Coast Novel*. Jennifer and her husband, Mike Vihel, owned and operated a marine electronics business in Eureka, and as a result Jennifer spent many hours “hanging around Trinidad Pier while Mike finished his



‘GOOD PEOPLE’ Welcome to Southie, a Boston neighborhood, where Margie Walsh (Peggy Metzger, left, with Pamela Long) has just been let go from yet another job. Facing eviction and scrambling to catch a break, Margie thinks an old fling who’s made it out of Southie might be her ticket to a fresh new start. Bitingly funny, powerfully human and relatable, *Good People* is directed by Cassandra Hesselline and Kaitlyn Samuel. The play runs at Redwood Curtain Theatre, 220 First St. in Eureka, from Thursday, Oct. 26 through Nov. 18. *Good People* contains strong language. Tickets can be reserved or purchased at redwoodcurtain.com, boxoffice@redwoodcurtain.com or (707) 443-7688.

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work on boats in Trinidad.” She was able to talk to many fishermen and boat captains over the years and she gratefully acknowledges Bob Hallmark, Jerry Paugh, Kenny Syvertson, Bill Burchell, who was lost at sea, and others she met at the Trinidad Pier, for telling her about their lives on and near the sea.

Her novel has as its protagonist Annie MacKerricher, and her story is about “life, love, and second chances” after tragedy shatters her world. In the aftermath of her husband’s murder, Annie MacKerricher “hopes to find peace in the charming fishing village of Trinidad. Instead, she finds intrigue, danger and a new chance at love.”

Jennifer won the grand prize in a Trinidad Chamber of Commerce essay contest in 2007 with her “Discover Trinidad ... Again and Again” narrative. She finds Trinidad magical and decided to keep on writing about it in her new novel, which is available on Amazon. Visit jenniferclarkauthor.com or email jc@jenniferclarkauthor.com for more information.

‘Working Baskets’ at the museum

A new exhibit, “Working Baskets,” showing photographs, interpretive stories and baskets and objects in everyday use in traditional Yurok and Karuk culture, is on view at Trinidad Museum, which is open Thursday through Sunday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Jill Mefford curated the exhibit, assisted by Alexandra Cox and Kateri Masten. Barbara Snell provided some of her photograph collection in the large case of the Native American Room. For information, call (707) 677-3816.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

Paint & pancakes

The air is most definitely crisper these days, and I can tell that fall has fully set in. It’s almost my favorite time of the year, Halloween, and there is a myriad of activities that you can enjoy in Blue Lake that the whole family will love!

Sip and Paint Night

Blue Lake Parks and Recreation and Jewell Distillery are sponsoring a Pumpkin Paint night Thursday, Oct. 26 at 6 p.m. at Jewell Distillery, 120 Monda Way in the Power’s Creek District (formerly the Blue Lake Business Park). All proceeds benefit the Parks and Recreation Department! This event is limited to 12 people (21 and up please), and no experience is necessary. The cost is \$30, and with that you will not only take home a beautiful 12x16 acrylic painting, but you will also get some treats to eat and nonalcoholic drinks – cocktails can be purchased with locally made gin, vodka, etc. Did I mention that this event is being led by yours truly? Call City Hall at (707) 668-5655 to RSVP!

School Halloween Carnival & Pancakes

The annual Blue Lake School Halloween Carnival will take place on Friday, Oct. 27. The whole event will begin in the School “Chuck Wagon” (the multipurpose room/cafeteria) with a free community dinner sponsored by the Blue Lake Family Resource Center at 5:30 p.m. The carnival will begin in the School Gym at 6 p.m. with favorite games like pick-a-pop, dime toss, cake walk, as well as a haunted house! Fun for the whole family! Come dressed up and be ready for a spooky time.

And speaking of Blue Lake School, the eighth grade class will be holding another Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Oct. 28 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. This year’s eighth grade class is the largest class the school has had for some time, and therefore, a lot of fundraising is needed for this year’s class trip. Support the students and get a fabulous meal, all at the same time. Come on down to the Mad River Grange on 110 Hatchery Rd.

Have a safe and spooky Halloween, Blue Lake fans!

April Sousa is a Blue Lake resident, a member of the Mad River Grange and Wha-Nika and City Clerk for the City of Blue Lake.



SCI FI PINT & FRY NIGHT See *Halloween III: Season of the Witch* (1982) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, Oct. 25** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. An ER doctor and the daughter of a murder victim uncover a terrible plot by a small-town mask maker who is planning a Halloween mass murder utilizing an ancient Celtic ritual. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

CARPATHIAN TELLS TALES Humboldt Literacy Project and the Eureka Main Library present Family Literacy Night featuring Carpathian the Gentle Ghoul, **today, Oct. 25** at 6:30 p.m. at the Eureka Main Library, 1313 Third St. Enjoy spine-tingling Irish ghost stories as Carpathian entrances audiences of all ages. Each child in attendance will receive a free book, generously donated by Tin Can Mailman and community members. (707) 445-3655, HumLit.org

HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARADE Start off your candy collecting at a safe, fun and free trick-or-treat event for children **Saturday, Oct. 28** starting at 11:45 a.m. at the McKinleyville Shopping Center. There will be lots of free candy and toys from the shopping center businesses, plus a costume parade. (707) 834-6460

SPOOKY PUNES TOUR Get outside and explore Halloween with Friends of the Dunes **Saturday, Oct. 28**. Tour guides lead kids and their adults through the dunes to meet spooky and silly dune characters. Dress in costume and be prepared for a short hike in the sand. One-hour tours start every 30 minutes from 1 to 3 p.m. A donation of \$5 per child/\$3 for Friends of the Dunes members and Manila residents is suggested. Space is limited; call (707) 444-1397 or email info@friendsofthedunes.org to reserve a spot.

SPOOKY STORYTIME Northtown Books, 957 H St. in

Arcata, hosts a spooky storytime **Saturday, Oct. 28** at 1 p.m. Be there and be scared!

HOWLOWEEN PAWTY Bring your be(a)stie down to Humboldt Pet Supply, 145 G St., **Sunday, Oct. 29** from noon to 4 p.m. for a howling good time! There will be two costume contests – one for your furry pal to strut their stuff and one for human and pet dynamic duos. There will be a spooky agility course, a Halloween-themed photo booth, free treat samples, games of musical chairs, a raffle and more. Let Fido guzzle some water while you sip on sophisticated drinks. The event is a fundraiser for Companion Animal Foundation’s mobile veterinary unit.

BOO AT THE ZOO The Sequoia Park Zoo and Foundation invites you to the annual spook-tacular Halloween celebration, Boo @ the Zoo, **Sunday, Oct. 29** from noon to 4 p.m. Enjoy frightfully delightful crafts, games, and face painting, take a stroll down the extinction trail and witness the animal pumpkin stomp and chomp! Show off your wild side and join the Costume Parade & Contest. All activities are included with general zoo admission; zoo members join the fun for free. sequoiaparkzoo.net, (707) 442- 5649 ext. 203

HALLOWEEN CONCERT Join the All Seasons Orchestra for a free Halloween-themed concert and party at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St., Arcata, **Sunday, Oct. 29** from 5 to 8 p.m. All Seasons Orchestra, sponsored by the Arcata Recreation Division and the Rodden Family, is a community orchestra open to all ages that includes strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion sections. Scary music for the evening includes the theme from *Jaws*, the *Harry Potter Symphonic Suite*, Khachaturian’s *Sabre Dance*, “Mars, the Bringer of War” from Holst’s *The Planets*, “Symphonic Suite” from *Lord of the Rings*, selections from *Phantom of the Opera* and *Funeral March of the Marionette*. Bring your carved pumpkin to enter the jack-o’-lantern contest and wear your costume to enter the Halloween costume contest. Enjoy trick-or-treat candy,

apple cider and other light refreshments. (707) 443-2626, cityoffarcata.org/rec

TRICK OR TREAT ON THE PLAZA Arcata Main Street invites families to trick-or-treat on the Arcata Plaza on Halloween, **Tuesday, Oct. 31** from 4 to 6 p.m. The streets will be closed to traffic so participants can enjoy business-to-business visits and gathering treats (or tricks!). The spook procession meets at 4 p.m. at the corner of 11th and H streets, to be joined by bubbles and the HSU Lumberjack Marching Band on the way to and around the Arcata Plaza. There, the parade will be met with music, more treats, the Halloween Fairy and much, more. This is free community fun for the entire family; come by broom, as parking is limited and please leave your dogs at home.

HARVEST FESTIVAL ON THE PLAZA North Bay Rotaract and the Jacoby’s Storehouse Merchants Association present a Harvest Festival **Tuesday, Oct. 31** from 5 to 7 p.m. on the Arcata Plaza in addition to the annual Trick or Treat on the Plaza. There will be a pumpkin decorating contest, costume contests, fall carnival games, face painting, music, hot apple cider and hot chocolate, plus a haunted hallway in Jacoby’s Storehouse. facebook.com/events/304527023286507/

MONSTER STORYTIME Bring your own little monsters to the Tin Can Mailman, 1000 H St. in Arcata, for monster story time **Tuesday, Oct. 31** at 1 p.m. Grrr!

❖ APPRENTICE ENTERTAINMENT

Tune into WHAT at ‘Caber-play’

APPRENTICE ENTERTAINMENT
CREAMERY DISTRICT – Apprentice Entertainment and the Arcata Playhouse are proud to announce their production of *Caber-play*: a youth performance art piece open to all ages, written and performed by local teens, at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Friday, Oct. 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Caber-play is a fun, interactive performance that takes place at the mock radio station WHAT. The performance is full of music, laughter and strange interactions, and has a little something for everyone when it comes to performance art. Listen in and get down to the music of local youth band Mother Fungus, and enjoy poetry, animation and truly hysterical acting!

Doors open at 7 p.m.; show starts at 7:30. Tickets are \$5 and are available in

advance by calling (707) 822-1575.

Apprentice Entertainment is a select group of truly special and magical Humboldt teens! The goal of the program is to empower youth under 21 to produce, promote and play in the arts to build greater community engagement and cross-generational communication. The program includes mentoring for young producers, as well as workshops and activities held at the Arcata Playhouse, and plenty of popcorn to go around. Apprentice Entertainment has successfully created, and will continue to create, many zany variety shows, groovin’ concerts, funky dance parties, and other musical groups and theatrical troupes. Their spunk and wit have charmed Humboldters of all shapes and sizes – there’s simply nothing else like it!

Come join us for our

MONSTER STORY TIME

Tuesday, October 31st
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❖ FROM B1

“I saw the first season,” Craghead explained. “There was the Elvis of pumpkin carvers, Ray Villafane. John Neill was another carver and I got to meet him recently. That’s what’s cool about the show – where else does one go? It’s not super common to be a pumpkin carver.”

In 2015, Craghead sent in a email and photos of his carvings “on a lark.” He heard from the network in 2016 and then he was off to Los Angeles.

He was there for around two weeks and is still a fan. “I wondered if I would still be a fan, having seen behind the green curtain, and I totally am,” he said. “I didn’t see [the other teams’] drama because I was stuck in my own.”

Craghead did have some gory drama on his team, the Scare Snacktics. Spoiler alert, it involved 12 stitches on his hand in the middle of the second challenge. (All the previous episodes will be rerun Oct. 29, starting at 3 p.m.) But he carved through the pain and kept the team going. “We need Mike to be our rock,” one of his team members said.

Filming the show was “pretty relentless,” according to Craghead. “We were all sleep deprived and a little nuts. But I got to work with people who are at the top of their game. The cake and sugar artists all work at fancy hotels. I got to talk with the other pumpkin carvers and picked their brains – how do they conduct themselves in October. I’m Facebook friends with them all now.”

Craghead’s stardom has followed him back to Humboldt, if only a little bit. “I used to work at Freshwater School and when I went out to do pumpkin carving at a campfire program at Wolf Creek all the kids were making me sign autographs.

“And you get a sense of how people watch TV,” he explained. The first time it was on, one or two people told me they’d seen it. The second time, three or four. And the third time it was on, around 20 people mentioned it.”

Those numbers may increase after the final episode and all the reruns are seen by folks. And for those who prefer reality to reality TV, Craghead will be carving locally. He’ll be carving a monster pumpkin Saturday, Oct. 28 at the Arcata Farmers’ Market. “Shakefork gave me a 340 lb. pumpkin to carve there,” he said. The farm is a longtime vendor at the market, bringing their produce in from Carlotta weekly. “He calls the pumpkins his babies,” Craghead said.

Craghead is an active volunteer in the community as

well. You might have seen him singing the National Anthem at Crabs games over the years and recently he did the same at the Humboldt State football game. “They just called me about singing at a basketball game,” he said. He’s done a square at Pastels on the Plaza for years, sometimes for whichever group he was matched with by the organizers, but more recently for the ArMack Orchestra because his three children are all musicians and for Trillium Dance since one is a dancer. You can check out the family band playing at the Black Lightning Cafe last August on YouTube. Craghead was also in the production Das Barbeci that North Coast Rep staged in 2016, the wacky Texan sendup of Wagner’s Ring cycle. He played the Odin character in a cowboy outfit and had fun making the props. “I went off the deep end on research,” he said with a laugh.

Craghead came to study art at Humboldt State after studying art at University of California at Santa Cruz. He stayed and that was our community’s gain. He also designed the website for local musicians, *humboldtmusic.com*. “It was cutting edge 20 years ago,” he said, modestly.

So even though he’s a TV star, we know the only big heads that result will be ... wait for it ... pumpkins. *foodnetwork.com/shows/halloween-wars*

TOWN BEER HALL MEETING Representatives from Physicians for a National Health Policy, the California Nurses Association and Healthcare for All-Humboldt present information and encourage questions and discussion about SB 562, the Healthy California Senate Bill offering universal healthcare to all CA residents, at the Logger Bar, 502 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. **Thursday, Oct. 26**, from 7 to 9 p.m.

THE SPIRIT OF AGING Explore ways to cultivate resiliency through conscious aging at Spirit of Aging events at Humboldt Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 24 Fellowship Way, Bayside. A Spirit of Aging Wisdom Circle starts **Friday, Oct. 27** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Charles Garfield, Ph.D. and Gina Belton, Ph.D., present a Spirit of Aging Workshop Saturday, Oct. 28 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fee is \$45, and includes a copy of Garfield’s new book, *Life’s Last Gift, Giving and Receiving Peace When a Loved One is Dying*. The workshop is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, for five contact hours of continuing education, no additional cost. Pre-register at *pallipsych707@gmail.com* or (707) 822-3794.

Park service seeks input

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

ORICK – The National Park Service has announced the availability of the Invasive Plant Management Plan/ Environmental Assessment for Redwood National Park and Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area for public review and comment.

The overarching purpose of the actions evaluated in this environmental assessment is to provide a comprehensive approach for protecting the natural and cultural resources of Redwood National Park and Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area from the impacts of nonnative, invasive plants.

Through the preferred alternative, the park service would strive to enhance or refine practices such as public outreach, collaboration with stakeholders, invasive plant detection and treatment, record-keeping and monitoring, revegetation, adaptive management, and best management practices using an integrated invasive plant management approach.

The park service seeks the public’s thoughtful review and comments during the comment period, which concludes Dec. 1. The environmental assessment is available on the park service’s Planning, Environment and Public Comment website at *parkplanning.nps.gov/RSin-uplantEA*. Hard copies of the assessment are available for review at the following locations in northern Humboldt:

- Thomas H. Kuchel Visitor Center, 119441 US Hwy. 101, Orick
- Humboldt County Library, McKinleyville Branch, 1606 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville
- Humboldt County Library, Arcata Branch, 500 Seventh St., Arcata
- Humboldt County Library, Main Branch, Eureka, 1313 Third St., Eureka

Redwood National Park will host an in-person open house meeting Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Humboldt Area Foundation, 363 Indianola Rd., Bayside.

Interested parties can submit comments either electronically on the website (the preferred method of receiving comments); at one of the in-person public meetings; or via U.S. Postal Service to Redwood National Park, attn. Invasive Plant Management Plan, P.O. Box 7, Orick, CA 95555.

RIBBON CUTTING AT BLUE LAKE CASINO SALON Blue Lake Casino & Hotel announces the latest in their onsite amenities: The Salon, which features local credentialed specialists in haircuts and hair color, pedicures, manicures, enhanced eyelashes, massage and more. Located on the second floor of Blue Lake Hotel. The Salon is now open for business and will host a Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting Celebration with the Arcata Chamber of Commerce **Friday, Oct. 27** from noon to 5 p.m. 1-877-252-2946 ext. 7902, *bluelakecasino.com/salon*

GRID ALTERNATIVES LECTURE Next up in the Sustainable Futures Speaker Series, learn how one company headquartered in Oakland is working to make clean and renewable energy available to all. Mara Ervin, the Bay Area Development and Programs manager for GRID Alternatives, the nation’s largest solar installer and a 2014 White House Champion of Change, will give a free, public lecture **Thursday, Oct. 26** at 5:30 p.m. in HSU Founders Hall 118. The Speaker Series is sponsored by the Schatz Energy Research Center, the Environment & Community graduate program and the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences at Humboldt State. For details on upcoming events or to request accessibility accommodations, visit *schatzcenter.org/speakers* or call (707) 826-4345.

RHODIE FANS WELCOME

The Eureka Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society invited members and community members to its meeting at the Eureka Woman’s Club, 1531 J St., **Thursday, Oct. 26** at 7 p.m. Dennis Bottemiller, Nursery and Propagation manager at the Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden, will present a PowerPoint program, “Plants and Plantings at the Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden, and how we make them work,” a photographic tour through the seasons in the garden and in his project, the Rutherford Conservatory, sharing ideas that work for successfully growing difficult plants. The business portion of the meeting is usually quite short. Additionally, Don Wallace of Singing Tree Gardens will provide a visual description of all the plants available for the opportunity



❖ ECO BRIEFS

drawing. Refreshments are provided at these fourth Thursday meetings, and someone goes home with a very nice door prize. (707) 443-1291

TRAIL WORKDAY The City of Arcata’s Environmental Services Department and the Humboldt Trails Council’s Volunteer Trail Stewards invite you to help develop trails in the Arcata Community Forest **Saturday, Oct. 28** from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers meet at 9 a.m. at the small parking area at the Fickle Hill Road forest entrance next to the Arcata Community Forest sign. Volunteers will then carpool up to the intersection of Trails #12 and #13. Be sure to wear a long sleeve shirt, work pants and boots. Work will happen rain or shine, so bring rain gear if it looks like rain! Participants will be provided with tools, beverages and lunch. Some work gloves will be provided, but bring your own if you have them. New volunteers are always welcome. (707) 825-2163, *eservices@cityofarcata.org*

MEET THE LICHENS Join a Friends of the Dunes naturalist for an introduction to the diverse lichens of our coastal dunes at the Ma-le’l Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge **Saturday, Oct. 28** from 1 to 3 p.m. Bring a hand lens if you have one, and meet at the Ma-le’l North parking lot off of Young Lane in Manila. Space is limited; RSVP by calling Friends of the Dunes at (707) 444-1397 or emailing *info@friendsoftthedunes.org*.

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Oct. 28** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

SLOW MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour **Tuesday, Oct. 31** at 2 p.m., for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours. The tour lasts 90 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages who want to learn and like camaraderie. Meet leaders John DeMartini and Jane Wilson at the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard. This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month, come rain, shine, or wind. (707) 826-2359

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Bit of sooty residue
4. Rosters
9. Bustle
13. Dull thud
15. In the know
16. Sinister
17. Sightseeing trip
18. Female animals
19. Item on a birth certificate
20. Groups of descendants
22. Pub orders
23. Breathe heavily
24. Suffix for Christy or Brazil
26. Preacher’s spot
29. Cable TV station
34. Whirling
35. Cell
36. ___ de plume
37. Gritty particles
38. Walter, Donna and Rex
39. Part of a ticket
40. ___pitch softball
41. Northern Europeans
42. Pronoun
43. Emerson or Lamb
45. More impoverished
46. Eisenhower or Schwarzkopf: abbr.
47. Go bad
48. Refuge
51. Dedicated
56. “Merry ___ England”
57. Spreads sold in the dairy case
58. College town
60. River in Africa
61. Identical
62. Scarce
63. The Bee ___
64. Biblical weeds
65. Regulation

DOWN

1. Fitting
2. Make a mess
3. Little hand’s indication
4. Mourn
5. Greedy child’s words
6. Eastern garb
7. Magnolia, for one
8. Meetings
9. Rent payer
10. Rink shape
11. Place for FDR’s image
12. Bullring shouts
13. ___ up; supported
14. Actor Max
25. Reverent fear
26. Old hat
27. Mount Narodnaya’s range
28. Jay and family
29. Bed item
30. Coal scuttles
31. Bury
32. Quiet one
33. Glowing piece
35. Animal enclosures
38. Mac
39. Like February (compared with any other month)
41. Color transformer
42. Recommend highly
44. Concur
45. Balances
47. ___ detector
48. Pine
49. Tell ___; prevaricate
50. Lounging around
52. Large-mouthed jar
53. Late Israeli prime minister
54. And others: abbr.
55. Explorer of TV
59. Original

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The weekly crossword is brought to you by **KINETIC KOFFEE** Organic, fresh, local and available at Eureka Natural Foods, Murphy’s Markets, the North Coast Co-op and Wildberries!

Joanie and John Frederick

TIPS FOR SELLING YOUR HOME IN RECORD TIME

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Starting on the outside, tidy up the grounds, mow the lawn and clean out the garage. Give your front door a new coat of paint – it gives buyers their first impression of your home. Paint the interior and exterior as needed. Clean the windows and screens inside and out.

Keep bathrooms spotlessly clean and freshened with flowers or a scented candle. Put out your best towels, bedcovers and table linens. Remove clutter from counters, tables and dresser tops. Before a showing appointment, turn off dishwasher, dryer and television (anything that makes noise) and turn on all the lights in the house. Put pets out of sight when buyers visit, and vacuum pet hair from carpets and upholstery.

Leave your home when showings are scheduled! Buyers feel more comfortable if you are not following them around, pointing out features that you value. Let the agents sell your home!

For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, call Joanie Frederick, Broker, Azalea Realty, (707) 362-0144, or check out our website at *www.azalearealty.com*

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❖ EMPLOYMENT

Visiting Angels is seeking Caregivers, CNAs & HHAs to assist seniors in Fortuna, McKinleyville, and Eureka. Part-time and Full-time, flexible hours. Please call 707-362-8045.

City of ARCATÁ

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❖ The Union publishes obituaries up to 250 words free of charge. Photos are welcome. Email, with photos attached separately, to editor@madriverunion.com by 5 p.m. Friday.



Ruth Ellen Hall Bairrington passed away Sept. 26, 2017 in McKinleyville from complications due to cancer. Born Nov. 5, 1927 in Denver, Colo., Ruth Ellen lived an extraordinary life for almost 90 years. She was married for over 54 years to Noble Bairrington, who predeceased her in 2002. Ruth is survived by their two children, Linda Carol (Bairrington) Wagner of Greensburg, Penn., and Philip Kevin Bairrington

OBITUARY

Ruth Ellen Hall Bairrington

(Rebecca) of McKinleyville. Ruth also is survived by three grandchildren: Alexander Jacob Bairrington of Newark, Calif.; Benjamin James Bairrington of Guilin, Guangxi, China; and Abigail Zula Ellen (Bairrington) Filteau (Jonathan) of Sacramento.

Ruth's sister, Jeanne Shoemaker, resides in Westminster, Colo., and Ruth's half-brother, Robert Hall, and his wife Marilyn are living in Elizabeth, Colo. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins have added much joy to Ruth's life through the years. Her two other stepbrothers, Clyde and Leroy Hall, predeceased her.

Ruth (or her pen name, "Rellen," chosen when she wrote her self-published autobiography, *The Outsider*) achieved academic excellence with three college degrees, while also rearing a young family, teaching Sunday School, and being a Camp Fire Girls leader. She earned a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Literature from Baylor University, as well as another Master of Arts in Education (received almost 30 years later) from Colorado College.

Ruth's professional career included teaching high school English in Colorado Springs, Colo., college English at the University of Colorado and designing and leading senior citizen seminars on Shakespeare and classical Greek plays – often in costume!

Ruth loved to garden, growing and preserving fruits and vegetables, as well as cultivating beautiful flowers wherever she lived. She was equally adept at painting and sewing. She continued to quilt well into her senior years, and enjoyed oil painting landscapes. Ruth Ellen played the piano and nurtured a love of music and the arts in both of her children.

At the core of Ruth Ellen's life was her steadfast Christian faith. In addition to regular participation in a variety of church activities over the years, Ruth made time for personal daily reflection and prayer. A Memorial Service was held at her church, McKinleyville Baptist Church, Oct. 7. Remembrances in Ruth Ellen's name may be made to: New Heart Community Church AWANA, P.O. Box 2608, McKinleyville, CA, 95519.

LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00504
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This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on SEPT. 18, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
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PO BOX 215
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DAMON E. BRADLEY
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This business is conducted by: An Individual
SDAMON BRADLEY, OWNER
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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JANICE K. ALLEN, JANICE K. CAMPBELL-ALLEN.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: BONNIE WOLFE in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: BONNIE WOLFE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: Nov. 16, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 4
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JERRY W. LAPACEK
CASE NO.: PR170298
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JERRY W. LAPACEK, JERRY WAYNE LAPACEK
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: EDWARD GILDA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: EDWARD GILDA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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The name and address of the court is: Humboldt Superior Court 825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: Dustin E. Owens 244173 Owens & Ross 310 Third Street, Suite D Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 441-1185 DATE: SEP 5 2017 Kim M. Bartleson Clerk, by Shayla B. Deputy

4th day of NOVEMBER 2017 at 9 a.m. Bud's Mini Storage, 1180 5th St., Arcata (corner of 5th and K).
• Space D: Ken Laskis, Nissan pickup
• Space H: Ken Laskis, utility trailer
• Space I: Robert Pitlitskas, 73 Ford 350
• Unit 149, Nathan King

kmarsolan@cityofarcata.org
Sealed proposals for this work will be received by the City Manager's Office, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, until 4:00pm on November 14, 2017. Proposals received after the specified time will not be considered.
The above PROJECT is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. As appropriate, each respondent listed on the submitted proposal must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.
All respondents shall be licensed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
The City of Arcata reserves the right to reject all proposals.
Katie Marsolan Property & Special Projects Manager

ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1493 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on October 18, 2017, by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, Watson, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
Summary of Ordinance No. 1493
This ordinance updates the City's upland game and migratory waterfowl hunting regulations by adding the following prohibitions: lead ammunition, hunting within 150 yards of a dwelling unit or commercial building, and discharging of any firearm or release of any arrow or crossbow bolt over any public road or trail.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1493 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect November 17, 2017. BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATÁ. Dated: October 18, 2017.

Council of the City of Arcata Adopting Mobilehome Rent Stabilization, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1487 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, Watson, Winkler. NOES: Winkler. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
Summary of Ordinance No. 1487
If adopted, this ordinance will regulate the timing and amounts of increases in mobilehome space rents in mobilehome parks with some exceptions. The ordinance will establish the procedures and noticing requirements for rent increases, appeals, and capital improvements. It will also authorize a \$10 per month per regulated space fee to administer the regulatory program. Half of this fee can be passed on to the resident and half must be borne by the park owner.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1487 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1487 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on November 1, 2017, and, if adopted at that time, will take effect December 1, 2017.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00486
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
ENGLISH UPGRADED
2143 F ST.
EUREKA, CA 95501
KIMBERLY D. PERGERSON-WILLIAMS
2143 F ST.
EUREKA, CA 95501
This business is conducted by: An Individual
SKIMBERLY D. PERGERSON-WILLIAMS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on SEPT. 8, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00532
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
STEPPING STONES EXTENDED DAYCARE PROGRAM
1897 S STREET
ARCATA, CA 95521
1920 ZEHNDRER AVE.
ARCATA, CA 95521
MICHELLE R. LYNN
1188 GROSS RD.
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: An Individual
SMICHELLE LYNN, OWNER/ADMINISTRATOR
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 4, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
NICOLE ALEXIA HESS
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV170900
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: NICOLE ALEXIA HESS to Proposed name: LEXA MORRIGAN VAN HEL BLU.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection to the petition within two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: November 24, 2017
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: OCT. 10 2017
TIMOTHY P. CISSNA
Judge of the Superior Court

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JERRY W. LAPACEK
CASE NO.: PR170298
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: JERRY W. LAPACEK, JERRY WAYNE LAPACEK
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: EDWARD GILDA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: EDWARD GILDA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: Nov. 16, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 4
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CITY OF ARCATÁ
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
The City of Arcata is seeking an experienced engineering and planning consultant team to further the Arcata Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements Project. The selected consultant will perform a series of tasks including preliminary design, final engineered designs, cost estimates, fee analysis, as well as permit and bidding support. The project construction will be phased.
THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS will be available after October 9, 2017:
• For download from City Website: www.cityofarcata.org under "Bid on a Project".
• For purchase at City Manager's Office, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, CA 95521. A printing charge of \$50.00 shall not be refundable, plus a shipping and handling fee of \$50.00 for mailing.
Inquiries shall be made in writing to: Katie Marsolan, Property and Special Projects Manager

CITY OF ARCATÁ
LEGAL NOTICE
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1493
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on October 4, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1493, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code Pertaining to Upland Game and Migratory Waterfowl Hunting, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the

CITY OF ARCATÁ
LEGAL NOTICE
INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1487
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on October 18, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1487, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00531
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
LOVE LIFE
2355 CENTRAL AVE. #123
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
HUMBOLDT HARVEST INC.
3786049
2355 CENTRAL AVE. #123
MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519
This business is conducted by: A Corporation
SIESTHER BENEMANN, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 4, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00514
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
CRESTMARK ARCHITECTURAL MILLWORKS
5640 WEST END RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
CRESTMARK ARCHITECTURAL MILLWORKS, INC. 2869399
5640 WEST END RD.
ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: A Corporation
SSEAN OLSEN, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on SEP. 25, 2017
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 17-00521
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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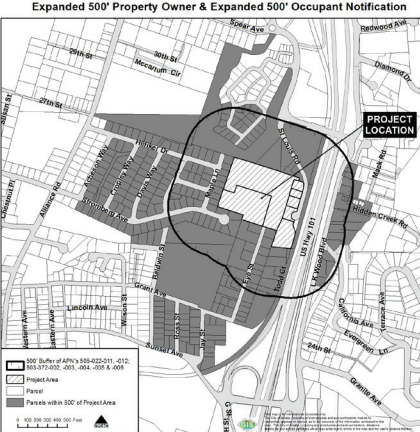
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ARCATÁ'S PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, November 28, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata.

SUBJECT: THE VILLAGE STUDENT HOUSING GENERAL PLAN & ZONING AMENDMENT/PARCEL MERGER/DESIGN REVIEW/PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT/GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY, 2715-2905 ST. LOUIS ROAD, ARCATÁ

Project Description: The project consists of the development of four 4-story (50' tall) buildings to accommodate up to 240 units (800 beds) for student housing. The project requires: 1) Design Review for the demolition of all existing structures and the development of the new buildings, low-impact development landscaping, and parking facilities; 2) amendments to the City's General Plan and Zoning maps to change the properties' zoning and land use designations from Industrial Limited (IL) to Residential High-Density (RH) and to add a Planned Development (PD) overlay to exceed the 35' height limit of the RH zoning; and 3) merger of the seven underlying parcels to allow uniform development of the entire site. The project also includes the development of a portion of the Rail-within-Trail along the east side, the vacation of a portion of St. Louis Rd. to accommodate this trail development, a pedestrian path along the northern property line to Maple Ln., and a new bus stop near the intersection of St. Louis Rd. and the St. Louis Rd. overpass. All vehicular access will be from St. Louis Rd. The project will be served by community water and sewer.

Application Type: General Plan & Zoning Amendment/Parcel Merger/Design Review/Planned Development Permit/General Plan Consistency
Location: 2715-2905 St. Louis Rd.
Assessor Parcel Numbers: 505-022-011, -012, 503-372-002, -003, -004, -005, -006
Applicant: AMCAL Equities LLC
Property Owner: Nancy Yagi-Kirkpatrick
File Number: 156-179- GPA-ZPM- DR-PD
Zoning and General Plan: Industrial Limited (IL)
Coastal Status: Project is not located in the Coastal Zone.
Environmental: The project is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared and circulated in accordance to the CEQA Guidelines.
Date of Application: March 8, 2016
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed on the City's website: <http://www.cityofarcata.org/704/Current-Development>. Projects, at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or by phone: 707-822-5955. Contact person: Alyson Hunter, Senior Planner (707-822-5955).
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is appealable. In compliance with §9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative, informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 working days following the date of the action by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to §1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)."
Posted by: October 27, 2017



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Addie

Double, double toil and trouble

Brother and sister duo A.J. and Addie are made up of sugar, spice and everything nice! At 4 months old, A.J. and Addie are a closely bonded duo and we are hoping to find a home that is ready for two new feline family members.

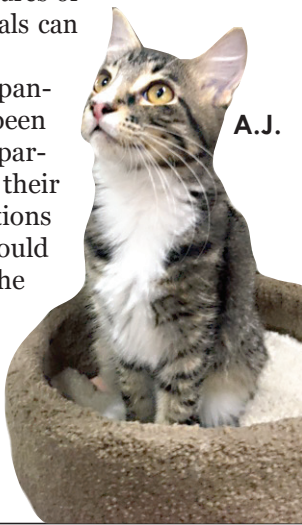
A.J. is an inquisitive medium-haired brown and white tabby who is rarely not purring. He likes to follow us from room to room, imploring us with his expressive yellow eyes to give him a treat or a scratch behind the ears. Addie, a short-haired peach tabby, is a bit more independent and can often be spotted snoozing on a pile of warm laundry. Both cats are extremely affectionate and possess a uniquely narrow face and slender body.

If you are interested in meeting A.J. and Addie, please come by and visit our kitten room at 88 Sunny Brae Center, Arcata, Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and fill out an application! Pictures of the rest of our adoptable animals can be found on at cafanimals.org.

All of the animals at Companion Animal Foundation have been spayed/neutered, treated for parasites, and are up to date on their vaccines. If you have any questions about a particular animal or would like to know more about the adoption process, give us a call at (707) 826-7387 or email cafadoptions@gmail.com. Don't forget to follow Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook and Instagram!



❖ COMPANION ANIMALS
Ayla Glim



A.J.

DEATHRAY FOUND! DeathRay the cat went AWOL near the Arcata Marsh & Sanctuary Aug. 8. Best friend Skip posted notices, canvassed the neighborhood and ran ads. The family never lost hope, for DeathRay is a friendly cat, and they were sure that he had wound up with someone, somewhere. Well, DeathRay was found over by the Arcata Fire Station last Tuesday, Oct. 17. He was a little thinner and just as sweet as ever. So far, he has stayed mum on the details of his two-month adventure.

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Taz & Jahnice want to play and cuddle

There's just one more week in which to celebrate Adopt a Shelter Dog Month in October. By the time the *Union* goes to press, the county shelter's two longest residents will be relaxing in their new homes! Diesel, star of screen and print, was spotted at a county picnic and was a perfect match for the couple and their female dog. Big Simba, featured here last week, was picked by a nice friend who appreciates that easygoing personality. We are all very happy for these two and look forward to hearing about their adventures in their new homes.

Volunteers and shelter staff always love to hear about shelter and rescue alumni. If you have a dog from the shelter, you can always send a photo to the Humboldt County Animal Shelter Facebook page, or email them to me at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com.

Our next three longest residents are waiting their turn to find that perfect home. Maverick, a 2-year-old kelpie mix, has been written up here before, and young Hiccup, at a little under a year, will get his turn soon. These two, along with today's dog Taz, have all been at the shelter since May. They are amazingly resilient, but all would be such happy dogs to find a loving home on the outside.



Taz

Taz is a 1-year-old fawn and white pit bull mix. Taz is very dog-friendly and is one of the dogs that shelter staff use to assess friendliness in new residents. He would love to meet a family with another dog that would be as playful as he is! For all his energy in the play yard, Taz is surprisingly relaxed on the leash and has very nice leash manners. He had a chance to go to dog class with one of his favorite volunteers and performed very well. During the longer skill demonstrations, he lay at Mary's feet in a completely relaxed way.

Taz likes to play ball and can handle a jog, but is also happy to go for a relaxed stroll around the neighborhood. He is housebroken and not a big barker. This is another dog that shows off his best side out of the kennel. It is so confusing to these poor dogs as to what they are supposed to do when visitors walk by. Should they leap and wag and



Jahnice

try to get the person's attention? It certainly seems to be what some are thinking, but often people look at those dogs and dismiss them as "too wild."

Often those dogs are some of the best outside. My Hank was a kennel leaper, I'm told, yet he has never tried to jump a fence or leap around like that after he left the shelter. Come by and give Taz a chance; he will make someone a wonderful companion!

Taz is neutered, microchipped and vaccinated and waiting to meet you at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information is available at (707) 840-9132.

Redwood Pals Rescue takes on dogs that are not ideal candidates for adoption at the shelter, but are still good dogs that deserve a chance to find a loving home of their own. Often, they have come from some sort of troubled situation, and need a little extra TLC to be the best dogs that they can. Rolo, featured last week, was tied out on a chain for who knows how long. He was so excited at being free that sometimes he would express himself with his mouth, and that was not an acceptable adoptable behavior.

Rolo has now left the shelter for a foster home and is impressing everyone with his gentle manners. He even showed that he could not care less about the resident cat, though he has discovered a taste for cat food! He is a great representative of rescue, even though his shelter behavior was hard to read and kept him from the Adoptable wing.

Another dog that has come from a rough situation is our beautiful Jahnice. Jahnice is a 10-year-old border collie mix. She came in with two other dogs. There had been a domestic violence situation at her home. The man came and reclaimed the other two dogs but didn't want Jahnice, whose owner is now in a safe house, so having Jahnice is not an option for her.

This sweet dog has so much going for her. She is very quiet and is happiest riding shotgun in the car! She is well housebroken and knows quite a bit of obedience. Jahnice does best with consistent training and someone who can remind her that she does not need to be in charge, as some cattle dogs are wont to do. She does not bark at other dogs from the car or when seeing them on walks. She does fine with other dogs in a leashed walking situation and we are still finding out who she would like to be friends with. She has not loved the male dogs she has met when they are closer than just walking together, but on a recent pack walk she seemed to love the other two females, even though neither of them were known for their friendliness to new dogs. So we are still learning about her, but are much encouraged.

Jahnice comes with an initial training session and follow-up training as needed to help her settle into a new situation. She is a great dog who just needs to know that she is safe again. If you are looking for a smart and loyal companion, this could be the dog for you! Please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or (707) 839-9692 if you would like more information or want to consider fostering or adopting Jahnice.

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